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DEPTH OF WATER ON THE BANGKOK BAR FOR AUGUST 1918.

Aug.	A.M.			L.W.
	H.	W.	Ft. in.	
1	11 00	10 6	5.6	7.8
2	...	...	5.6	7.0
3	...	...	6.7	7.0
4	...	...	9.10	7.0
5	...	...	10.11	7.0
6	...	...	12.0	7.0
7	3 00	11 6	...	...
8	4 00	12 0	...	...
9	5 00	12 0	...	...
10	6 00	12 0	...	...
11	7 00	12 0	...	...
12	7 00	12 0	...	...
13	8 30	12 2	4.0	7.6
14	10 0	11 10	1.5	7.0
15	11 00	11 6	5.6	7.0
16	...	...	6.7	7.0
17	...	...	7.8	7.0
18	...	...	9.10	7.0
19	...	...	10.11	7.0
20	...	...	12.0	7.0
21	3 00	11 10	12.0	6.0
22	4 00	12 0	12.0	6.0
23	5 00	12 0	...	...
24	6 00	12 0	...	...
25	7 00	12 0	...	...
26	7 00	12 0	...	...
27	8 00	12 0	5.4	7.6
28	9 00	11 8	1.0	7.6
29	10 00	11 6	4.0	7.0
30	11 00	11 11	4.5	7.0
31	...	...	5.6	7.0

Aug.	P.M.			L.W.
	H.	W.	Ft. in.	
1	10 00	13 0	...	...
2	11 00	12 10	...	...
3	5 00	13 0	...	...
4	5 00	13 6	...	...
5	5 30	14 0	...	...
6	6 30	14 4	...	...
7	6 30	14 6	1.0	6.0
8	7 30	15 2	1.2	6.0
9	8 00	14 8	1.2	7.0
10	8 00	14 8	1.2	7.0
11	8 00	14 8	2.3	7.0
12	9 00	14 6	2.3	7.0
13	9 00	14 2	...	...
14	9 00	13 8	...	...
15	9 00	13 6	...	...
16	10 00	13 6	...	...
17	10 00	14 0	...	...
18	5 00	14 4	...	...
19	6 00	14 6	...	...
20	6 00	15 0	...	...
21	7 00	15 0	...	...
22	7 00	15 0	...	...
23	8 00	14 6	1.0	6.0
24	8 00	14 6	1.0	6.0
25	8 00	14 2	1.2	6.0
26	8 00	14 0	1.2	6.0
27	8 00	13 10	1.2	6.0
28	8 00	13 6	1.2	7.0
29	8 00	13 1	2.0	7.0
30	8 00	13 1	...	...
31	4 00	13 8	...	...

## PHASES OF THE MOON.

Aug. 7th: New Moon 3 h 12 m a.m.  
15th: First Quarter 5 h 58 m a.m.  
22nd: Full Moon 11 h 44 m a.m.  
29th: Last Quarter 2 h 9 m a.m.

## Plots Against India.

The German newspapers have lately contained a good many articles about the prospect of German mischief-making in the Middle East. Some of them are directed to the advertisement of the "rebirth" of Turkey by the defection of Russia and also by the German offensive in the West, while others deal more directly with the possible "menace to India."

In an article called "The Menace to India from Without," the *Vossische Zeitung* argues that the great German policy must be to promote a German policy in Afghanistan. After a mythical history of British and Russian relations and aims, it is argued that the termination of the Russo-British Convention gives the Amir a free hand to express his traditional feeling of independence by realizing his claims to Baluchistan and a port on the coast of Mekran. The article concludes as follows:—

British as an Afghan neighbour would constitute a permanent menace to English rule in India. An Afghan port on the coast of Mekran, combined with a political "rapprochement" between Persia and Afghanistan, would result in a very promising extension of their trade. That is the wedge which we must drive between India and English predominance on the Persian Gulf with the intended permanent establishment of England in Mesopotamia.

Neither England nor India is in a position to meet the military needs which arise from the whole situation. India is in this respect already too greatly weakened to master her own internal perils—perils which would fully ripen in the event of a further reduction of the men that still remain at her disposal. England, anxious not to provoke this catastrophe, cannot successfully meet an Afghan advance on the North-West Frontier.

All the circumstances upon which we have touched point to the fact that England can be forced in a very short time to withdraw her forces from Mesopotamia. The greater the pressure which we can exert, the more speedily will the defeat of England be accomplished and create for us a free road to Baghdad to the Persian Gulf.

To-day, when India is threatened from without and from within, it is our business to make the revival of this peril in a more acute form England's real and growing nightmare.

New ways and means are at our disposal for the accomplishment of this. As, however, a public discussion of these ways and means would only bring grief to the ears of our enemies, we must be content with alluding to the need of a policy based upon a determined community of interests between Germany, the Ukraine, the Turkish Empire, and Persia, which will resolutely oppose the method of securing equilibrium which has hitherto been pursued by England.

## Food Supplies.

Dr. Jules Grand, writing on the nutritious value of vegetables, in "La Revue" for April, says: The energy which we require to keep ourselves in good health is calculated in calories. It is generally admitted that an adult needs daily at least 1,900 to 2,000 calories. The 100 grammes of bread allowed by the present French ration gives 1,050 calories. It is therefore easy with a very small quantity of other foods to attain and pass the requisite amount of calories. Among cereals it is wheat which is most eaten by the Western nations, and especially in France bread is one of the principal articles of diet of the populace. In other European countries and America other cereals are used.

Calories in vegetables are infinitely more powerful than in meat, which is relatively poor in this respect: it requires at least three pounds of beef-steak to produce 2,000 calories; therefore, people restrained from meat eating can rest assured that in vegetables they have a more nourishing and healthier food. Fruits, vegetables, cereals are rich in hydrocarbonates, of which meat is almost entirely deprived.

But there is a difference between vegetables grown naturally and those which are forced: intensive culture deprives them of much nutritious value.

The riches contained in fruit as food is such that plantations of trees should everywhere be increased and the roads lined with them. The author maintains that all those people who are alarmed at the prospect of no meat can console themselves with the fact that vegetable foods contain a great deal of nutriment, which can easily satisfy the necessities of the organism without it being obliged to absorb a large bulk of food.

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Local Sanitary Department.  
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## War Loans Association.

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## General Wire News.

London, July 30.—The Ministry of Information says that the question of whether Germany is contemplating some fresh barbarous innovation is suggested by persistent allegations that the British are using unlawful bullets. Germany recently protested to the British Government on the subject. The Foreign Office's reply showed that the protest was absolutely unjustified. The British Government knows that a German accusation of this kind is usually advanced as an excuse for some prepared and concerted violation of the laws and customs of war and the Foreign Office has notified Germany that any such fresh outrage will be met with prompt and stern reprisals.

London, July 27.—The Rubber Share Brokers Association states that the Merliman decision, cabled on the 26th, gives the Merliman company a statutory ten per cent. on "recurring" expenditure on development since the inception of the company. It is estimated that Merliman will thus save £25,000 upon £280,000.

Every company which is affected by the Vallambrosa decision for income tax purposes will benefit similarly from the Merliman decision, if the decision is upheld.

Amsterdam, July 30.—In the upper house of the Reichstag, the new Premier, Hoesarek, stating his policy, said that Austria was ready at any time to make an honourable peace but as long as her enemies adopted the standpoint of one-sided dictation of terms there was nothing to do but continue the war with all resoluteness and intensity.

Shimonoseeki, July 30.—A large quantity of ammunition exploded on the pier during transshipment with terrific force. It is feared that there were many fatalities.

London, July 30.—The body of Lord Lichfield was found in a river near his Staffordshire residence with a gunshot wound in the head.

London, July 30.—The Press Bureau states that Sir Charles Fielding has been appointed Director General of Food Production.

Amsterdam, July 30.—The death is reported of Hakkı Pasha, the Turkish ambassador in Berlin.

Rome, July 21.—The Pope has appointed Monsignor Petrelli apostolic delegate to the Philippines, as papal nuncio in China.

London, July 29.—The Wigan strike has been settled. It has been agreed that a 25 per cent. advance be paid on the current wages.

Amsterdam, July 26.—The National Congress of Turkistan has proclaimed the Government of Turkistan also the

Trans Caspian, Khiva, Bokhara Republic. The Allied Russia Executive comprises Mohammedans and a Republican Commissary attached to the Emir of Bokhara as an adviser.

London, July 25.—Montagu's report on silver states that the market is unchanged, tone good. Shanghai exchange hardened to 4s. 9d.

London, July 25.—The Government demand is still large and steady.

[Other wires describe the market as "steady" and "unchanged."]

Cairo, July 25.—The Government is issuing five piastre notes to meet the silver shortage.

London, July 29.—Palestine Official: In the coastal sector, Sikhs made a successful raid, capturing prisoners and material and inflicting losses. Forces of the Jordan, Indian cavalry raided a post, killing or taking a number of the enemy.

Our aeroplanes bombed camps at Amman, Shunet and Nimrin.

The Arabs surprised a Turkish detachment in the southern Hedjaz, killing or taking prisoner them all.

## Britain's Millions.

London, July 30.—Mr. Massey, in a speech at Kew, said that out of 7½ million soldiers contributed by the Empire the British Isles had supplied 75 per cent, including 4½ millions from England alone. The tonnage of the British Navy was now over six million, compared with four million in August, 1914, and the personnel was 420,000, compared with 145,000. Five hundred and sixty seven seamen were continually employed carrying troops and stores to the armies in France and the East.

## Defeat of the U-Boats.

London, July 30.—Sir Eric Geddes stated in the House of Commons, that enemy submarines have found it too dangerous to work in shore and were again going far out. The number of ships damaged, as well as the sinkings, was declining. Hitherto Britain had preponderantly borne the burden of the fight against the submarines but the flow of anti-submarine craft from the United States would, ere long, become a formidable torrent which would enable Britain to divert some of her resources from naval to mercantile construction.

London, July 30.—In the House of Commons, Sir Eric Geddes stated that British, Allied and neutral shipping completions during the half year ending June 30 balanced the shipping losses of all kinds during the same period.

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THURSDAY, AUGUST 8, 1918.

#### THE WAR AND EDUCATION.

The world has discovered that war  
is a most searching test for the weak  
spots in peoples. The war has taught  
nations how little many of them were  
prepared for the great struggle on the  
result of which so much depends. It  
has taught, among other things the  
value of efficiency and it has proved  
and led to a general appreciation of the  
insufficiency of the old motto that  
"anything will do." It has taught  
also that education is the most impor-  
tant thing with which the State can  
concern itself and having realised this  
great truth the rest will follow in due  
time. When the war is over there  
must be years of greater production  
in order to repair the ravages of years  
of unprecedented strife. In those  
years there will undoubtedly be many  
blunders made because of an insuffi-  
ciency of trained knowledge and educa-  
tion must be looked to as the means for  
overcoming these weaknesses.

The Allies are fighting for democ-  
racy and there is no reason why  
democracy should not provide a good  
form of government. It must be  
remembered, however, that only  
from an educated people can the best  
results be obtained and, conversely, an  
ill-educated democracy cannot lift  
itself to the full height of wisdom.  
Thus education matters more than  
anything else, not only in securing  
efficiency in the producers, but for the  
sake of getting wise government.

When the war at last comes to an  
end the world will contain poorer and  
sadder nations and, if the lessons of  
the great conflict have been learned, it  
will contain wiser peoples who will  
not tolerate the state of affairs that  
existed four years ago when the  
trumpet call of battle summoned the  
nations to the deadly strife. The  
nations will see to it that wealth is  
used for the public good and not for  
public harm and among all classes of  
society there will be a movement to-  
ward a simpler and purer life. This  
movement will manifest itself in many  
ways and will work towards the greater  
equality of riches and opportunity  
as well as towards a higher and purer  
standard of public life and morals.  
War is a great purifier and if the  
nations emerge from the fiery trial  
clean in mind and resolute in the  
determination that such purity is to be  
maintained the world will not have  
passed through its agony in vain.

#### GERMAN PROPAGANDA IN CHINA.

It is not generally known that China  
contains a very large Mohammedan  
population, especially in the western  
provinces where the followers of the  
Prophet are said to number as many  
as twenty millions. These Mohammed-  
ans are not very strict in the  
observances of their religion but, to  
some extent, they remain apart from  
the general population and have on  
several occasions given serious trouble  
to the Chinese government. Two  
generations ago in a great rebellion in  
Kansu the country-side was almost  
desolated since when, with the ex-  
ception of sporadic risings, there has  
been but little trouble with the  
Mohammedans.

The news has now reached Peking  
that German agents in Central Asia,  
especially in Chinese Turkestan, are  
using these Mohammedans as a means  
of spreading their propaganda through-  
out the north of China, their immediate  
aim being to sow seeds of strife and  
discontent with the Chinese Govern-  
ment. These agents are also reported  
to have been reinforced by several  
Germans from various parts of China,  
notably Shanghai, and who are said to  
be possessed of considerable sums of  
money.

When the Bolsheviks came into  
power in Siberia many of the German  
prisoners of war made their escape  
into the wilds of Chinese Turkestan  
and such was the confusion at the  
time that little heed was paid to these  
men who are now proving themselves  
to be a real danger.

It appears from the information

received at the Chinese capital that  
these German agents are not so much  
preaching the gospel of German do-  
mination as appealing to the sentiment  
of the Moslem population to use their  
efforts against the Allies.

For years past the Chinese govern-  
ment has had a wholesome dread of  
Mohammedan risings in the west and,  
were such to occur at a moment when  
China is so divided against herself, the  
result would be doubly disastrous.  
China is slow at coming to an apprecia-  
tion of the deadly menace caused by  
the thousands of Germans within her  
borders but before long sheer necessity  
will compel her to take decisive steps  
to rid herself of it and in doing so she  
would be well advised to follow the  
splendid example of her neighbour  
Siam and clear the Germans out, bag  
and baggage.



#### Court Circular.

Wednesday, August 7.

Since the 27th of July His Majesty  
the King has been indisposed. No  
previous announcement had been given  
for the reason that it might give rise to  
undesirable rumours and misapprehen-  
sion. Now it is possible to give the  
following detailed report of the  
Physicians attending on His Majesty.

#### Report on His Majesty's Illness.

On 27th, July 1918—7 days after  
His Majesty's arrival in Bangkok, the  
change of weather caused His Majesty  
to be indisposed. At first the symptoms  
suggested Influenza. For 3 days  
the temperature remained at 103  
F. Pulse 56 per minute until 30th,  
July when the cough became trouble-  
some and prevented His Majesty from  
sleep. It seemed that there might be  
some complication in the lungs which  
kept up the temperature and trouble-  
some cough.

On 31st, in the evening we examined  
the chest and found a small area in the  
lower lobe of the right lung congested.  
We then began the treatment and the  
condition of the patient remained the  
same until 2nd, August when the tem-  
perature came down to 101 F. Pulse  
85 per minute. The congested part of  
the lung cleared up, the patient felt a  
little better. The cough came on at  
intervals and the patient had some  
sleep.

On the 3rd, August the temperature  
came down to 100 F. the Pulse 80 per  
minute. The patient felt very much  
better and had a long sleep. The affect-  
ed area of the lung had cleared up  
completely but there was still another  
small congested area on the upper part  
at the back of the left lung. On the  
4th, August the patient felt very well  
all day but still had some cough which  
is the usual symptom of Bronchitis.

On the 5th, the temperature was  
99 F. Pulse 75, almost normal. The  
condition of the patient was much im-  
proved. We believe His Majesty will  
be well within 10 days if there is no  
other complication.

(Sd.) A. POIX.

Physician in Ordinary.

(Sd.) LCANG SAKDA.

Director of Chulalongkorn Hospital.  
7th, August 1918.

#### Royal Messages.

On the 4th Anniversary of British  
Declaration of War.

Telegram from His Majesty the King  
of Great Britain and Ireland to His Ma-  
jesty the King.

Received on the 6th, August 1918.

His Majesty the King of Siam, Bang-  
kok.

On this fourth Anniversary of the  
day on which my country joined in the  
great conflict which still distracts the  
world, it is my privilege to convey to  
Your Majesty my greetings and to as-  
sure you of the determination of the  
British Empire to continue the strug-  
gle side by side with our brave allies  
till victory is attained and the nations  
great and small are secured in their  
right to pursue their development free  
and unimpeded.

(M. R.) GEORGE R. I.

His Majesty the King's Reply.

7th, August 1918.

His Majesty the King of Great Britain  
and Ireland, London.

It is with gratification I received  
Your Majesty's message, on the fourth  
anniversary of the day which your  
Empire joined in the great war, con-  
veying to me Your Majesty's greetings  
and assurance of the British Empire's  
determination to continue the struggle  
with our brave Allies till victory and  
the right of all nations are secured. I  
beg to offer you my heartfelt greetings  
and to assure you of my country's ear-  
nest determination of solidarity with  
Your Majesty and our Allies, and I  
take this occasion to express to you  
my warmest admiration for your gall-  
ant Army and Navy in their brave and  
successful actions against our common  
enemy which are now in progress and  
will finally lead to victory.

(M. R.) RAMA R.



## LOCAL AND GENERAL.

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

WE have received from the Harbour Department a copy of the report of its working for the year 1917.

THE s.s. *Katong* will leave from the Borneo Company's wharf at 4 p.m. sharp, on Friday the 9th inst., and should arrive in Singapore on Tuesday morning.

LUANG Chalam Pisaiseni, master of the s.s. *Den Samud*, being in ill-health, Captain Hud Yuwanakorn will command the vessel on the present trip to Singapore.

FROM the Anglo-Siam Corporation, Ltd., we have received copies of the Statement of Accounts and Directors Reports of the Phoenix Assurance Co. Ltd., the Union Assurance Society, Ltd., and the South Union and National Insurance Co.

THE Chinese waiter has appeared in the West End of London. In many restaurants Chinese servants have been for some time past employed in the kitchen, but managers are now beginning to go a step further. Some of these Chinese waiters have been torpedoed as seamen, and are glad to have a change of occupation before resuming their jobs as ship's cooks or waiters.

AN unfortunate accident occurred at sea off Colombo recently when a boat which held three fishermen came up against what was supposed to be a mine, which exploded and resulted in the boat being blown up and two of the men being severely injured. One man disappeared immediately, and no trace of him has been discovered up to now. A passing boat rescued the survivors.

## Telegraphic Addresses.

## Important Notice

The Department of Posts and Telegraphs hereby notifies the public that H. B. M. Consul-General has received telegraphic notice from the Consul at Rangoon that whilst authorized Codes are admitted in telegrams Registered Telegraphic Addresses are inadmissible in telegrams to and from Siam.

## The Mails.

The Post Office has received information from Singapore that the European mail which was despatched from Bangkok by the s.s. *Katong* on May 24th, *Kuala* on May 31st, *Katong* on June 8th, *Kuala* on June 15th, and *Pu Samut* on June 22nd left Singapore on the 27th June 1918 and were delivered in London on the 5th August 1918.

## Football.

## Senior Cup.

A record gathering of spectators was present to witness the match between the Central Teachers and the Palace Guards played at Suan Kulab yesterday evening.

The general impression was that never before has there been played on these grounds such a keenly contested game. Excitement lasted from the commencement to the end and both goalkeepers were called upon to save many a time. Sutton in particular did yeoman service to his side and backed by Smith at centre forward with a clever forward line it looked rather gloomy at times for the Palace Guards. Chitr for the latter made individual attempts to score but was time and again checked by Kabil. The Teachers were awarded three corners while their opponents had only one during the whole play, but with no results. At full time neither side had scored any goals and therefore have one point each to their credit. Mou Chao Kecharacted as referee.

## Junior Cup

The Opium Department was defeated by three goals to nil in the contest for the above Cup played against the Chulalongkorn University yesterday at the Wild Tiger Club grounds. These two teams met before on Saturday and no goals were scored. Yesterday's play was very poor on both sides. The Department had the best of the game in the first half but their attempts at shooting in were very feeble and as a result no goals were scored in this half. In the second half the University showed signs of improvement and after five minutes the left extreme scored by dodging past the full back. Shortly after the right wing scored another goal for the University. The Opium Department seemed to have lost their wind and their full backs were of little use in checking the onslaughts on their opponents. After a short scrum before the Department's goal the ball was netted and the third goal for the University was registered. Luang Varavidya acted as referee.

## THE Great War.

## Allied Landing at Archangel.

## Active Russian Concurrence.

(REUTER'S TELEGRAM.)

London, Aug. 8.

Press Bureau:—Allied Naval and Military forces on the 2nd inst. with the active concurrence of the Russian population landed at Archangel.

The inhabitants greeted the arrival with general enthusiasm.

## The Air-War.

(REUTER'S TELEGRAM.)

London, Aug. 8.

Admiralty:—Five enemy airships attempted to cross the coast on the night of the 6th inst.

They were attacked at sea by Air Force contingents working with the Navy.

Three were engaged. One was shot down in flames forty miles from the coast. Another was damaged and probably succeeded in reaching the base.

## Ambulance Transport Torpedoed.

(REUTER'S TELEGRAM.)

London, Aug. 8.

Admiralty:—The homeward bound ambulance transport *Warilda* was torpedoed and sunk on the 3rd inst. 123 are missing including three of the crew.

## British Destroyers Mined.

(REUTER'S TELEGRAM.)

London, Aug. 1.

Two British destroyers were mined and sunk on the 2nd inst. seven were lost.

## The Western Front.

(Havas Telegram.)

Paris, Aug. 6.

North of Montdidier we progressed to the Avre which we border between Braches and Morizel.

On the Vesle front we maintain our elements on the north bank in spite of enemy attempts to eject them.

(REUTER'S TELEGRAM.)

London, Aug. 8.

French communiqué:—There is nothing special to report. Our light units which crossed the Vesle everywhere encountered enemy resistance.

## The Bombardment of Paris.

(Havas Telegram.)

Paris, Aug. 6.

The bombardment of the region of Paris continues.

(REUTER'S TELEGRAM.)

London, Aug. 8.

Paris:—The long-range bombardment of Paris was resumed this morning.

## Malvy Found Guilty.

(Havas Telegram.)

Paris, Aug. 6.

The High Court of Justice has found Malvy guilty of the crime of *forfeiture*.

The Council of the Chamber is deliberating the sentence.

## Paddy Crop Report Aug. 7, 1918.

Nasuan	500 Coyans at Tcs.	97-168 each
Samruang	150 " " "	89-126 "
Namuang	" " "	" " "
Total	650 Coyans.	

## Havas Wires from Singapore.

## The German Defeat.

Paris, August 4.

The German retreat continues over the whole thirty mile front. The nature of the pursuit is shown by the active intervention of the French cavalry, who are hanging on the heels of the scattered foe, and forcing him to accentuate his flight. The Allied advance yesterday extended to a depth of six miles at places, and the advanced elements pushed even further ahead.

The Vesle has been crossed, and any hope of holding this line is lost, for the German retreat will probably continue till the Aisne is recrossed, and General Foch is determined to prevent the enemy from profiting by any lull in the operations.

The American troops, advancing strongly in the centre yesterday, reached the outskirts of Fismes, the great junction on the Vesle and on the Soissons railway line, midway between these two towns. According to the last reports, Fismes is on fire, which indicates that the enemy entertains no more hope of retaining the town.

West of Fismes the Americans crossed the Vesle and are now marching on the Aisne, in concert with General Mangin's forces, which crossed the Crise on Friday, and are now across the railway skirting the Vesle.

East of Fismes, British and Italian army of French, British and Italian army forward, over a wide area, and are now hugging both sides of the main railway line from Fismes to Rheims.

Thus the Allied front now stretches in a more or less straight line from west to east, and the German pocket has been entirely eliminated. Within less than three weeks General Foch's plan of campaign has worked from the Germans the fruits of the formidable offensive launched on the Aisne on May 27th as a direct hit for Paris. The enemy is now within sight of his starting point, and the enormous sacrifices of men and materials, made for an ephemeral success since transformed into the biggest defeat he has suffered since the first battle of the Marne, must now be explained to the German people, who had been promised that the offensive would bring peace and victory.

Paris, Aug. 5.

Harried back by General Foch's counter-blow, the Germans continued their retreat yesterday, still making great sacrifices in their rearward resistance. Fismes was stormed by the Americans, and the line of the Vesle was reached at some points. The new Marne pocket has been wiped out, and the front now forms almost a straight line from Soissons to Rheims.

This new advance to the Vesle will force the Germans to put on even more speed in their effort to escape disaster; and it is probable they will be unable to make any serious stand until the Aisne is reached. At present they are fighting desperately with the Aisne behind them, and if they cannot gain time, the vast accumulation of stores and ammunition which had been collected south of that river for the great offensive against Paris, will be lost. Already the Allies have made an immense capture of munitions, light railway materials and other supplies.

A local but very important success has been gained north-west of Rheims, greatly relieving the pressure on the Champagne city.

## German Line Cracking.

While the German line north of the Marne has been broken up completely, the Allied pressure has become so severe that General Ludendorff has been compelled to withdraw his troops at two other points, and the line has cracked in the region of the Avre, between Montdidier and Amiens, where the enemy has abandoned positions of importance. Perhaps this retirement is preliminary to a further move.

## The Prisoners.

The total number of prisoners captured since July 18th, is 40,000.

## What are the International Correspondence Schools?

Elsewhere in this issue appears an advertisement of the above Schools, and as some of our readers may not know much about this Institution, we have gathered some data which we now print for their benefit.

## The Origin of the Schools.

In 1872 an ambitious young English journalist named Thomas J. Foster, arrived in the town of Shenandoah, Pennsylvania, U. S. A. Shenandoah was then the largest mining town in the whole of America, and every man to be met there was connected in some way with the industry. Few of them had the advantages of any education, even mine owners having been trained only at the collieries. The same year that Thomas J. Foster arrived in

Shenandoah saw him proprietor of an active daily newspaper called the Shenandoah Herald. Living in the atmosphere of mining, he was daily brought face to face with accidents which were of almost hourly occurrence at that time, due for the most part to ignorance. The Editor of the Shenandoah Herald identifying himself absolutely with the interests of the community to which his paper appealed, asked himself the question as to whether it was not possible to educate his readers to protect themselves and their fellows.

England at that time was far in advance of America in the matter of mining literature and mining education. Mr. Foster imported the then existing mining text books and rewrote them in the form of short lessons—easy to understand, easy to remember, and easy to apply—adapting them to the requirements of the American miners of limited education. He imported also the services of a number of English mining instructors. This was the germ of the International Correspondence Schools.

## The Growth of the Schools.

From the very start Mr. Foster's scheme for providing instruction proved a success. Thus the I.C.S. arose from the simple school of mining and today Students may take any of the numerous Courses of Instruction taught by these Schools. To-day, pupils of the I.C.S. number over 2,000,000 and are scattered all over the world. In this connection we are pleased to note that here in Siam there are quite a number of far-sighted men who are availing themselves of the Instructions imparted by these Schools, and it is interesting to know that amongst its Students are many well known men, including members of the Siamese Royal family.

The International Correspondence Schools have their Headquarters in both England and America, where thoroughly efficient Staffs of Instructors have been organised, and where students' work receives most careful attention. Branches of the Schools are to be found in every important city throughout the world for the special purpose of bringing home to Employers the advantages the I.C.S. have to offer.

## The Standing of the Schools.

The International Correspondence Schools are recognised by several Governments and only recently have been appointed Agents for the Government of Australasia. The Canadian Expeditionary Force alone have now over two hundred men studying in the various camps in England, from I.C.S. text books.

## The Mysore Government Purchase Thirty Scholarships.

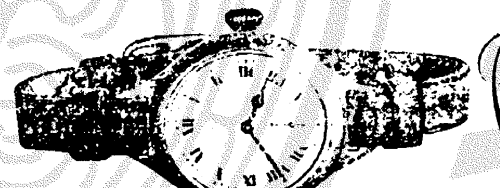
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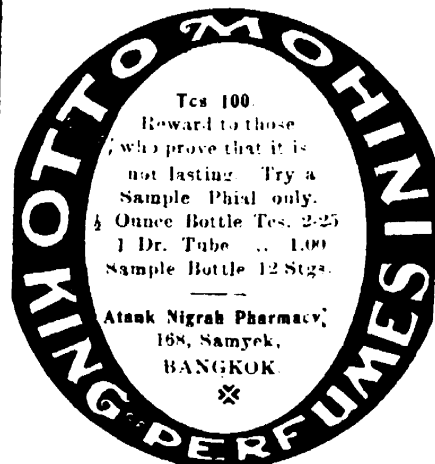
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### The German Retreat.

London, July 29.—The net result of the German retreat so far has been an Allied advance of seven or eight miles on a front of 20 miles, the capture of a score of villages and several important forests. The most valuable result strategically is the restoration to the Allies of the great Paris Chateau Thierry Chalons railway whereby the Champagne front can best be re-occupied and which is a most important factor in future developments. The action may now slow down and even become stabilised for a time between Soissons and Rheims where the Germans are apparently concentrating great forces. But the fact remains that the enemy has been badly beaten. He not merely does not hold a single inch of the ground gained on the 15th but within a fortnight has been forced to abandon nearly half the advantages gained by the offensive of May 27.

The question now is, will the enemy settle down to resistance on the plateau south of the Vesle or continue his retirement to the heights between the Vesle and the Aisne? The answer must depend to an extent on his losses and the number of his reserves and the indications up to now are that his losses are not excessive. It is regarded as at least certain that the salient will be flattened to a straight line, Soissons Rheims, which alone will shorten the Allied line by thirty miles and lessen the demands on the Allied reserves. French papers are discussing the causes of the retreat. Some attribute it to the fall of Oulchy le Chateau. Others state that the brilliant British attack at Marfaux and Chaumazy are responsible, because of the increased threat to Fismes, which is the key of the whole salient.

#### Capture of Plateau

London, July 29.—Reuters' correspondent at American headquarters wires that the Germans desperately resisted on Villeneuve plateau which was swept by gunfire after the French drove off the defenders. Eventually our batteries turned the balance of gun power and with the plateau won had an ideal gun platform which made the enemy's Ourcq line intolerable. The Franco-Americans were then able to advance on the open slopes at a rate hitherto impossible through the woods, mounted troops proving most useful, but the armoured cars and light tanks ideal weapons for clearing out the nests, both on the ground and in the trees. Gun platforms in the trees served the enemy admirably in the forest country. The American marksmen made sport of bringing them down. As an officer remarked, it was "like capercailzie shooting."

London, July 29.—Reuters' correspondent at American headquarters, wiring on the afternoon of the 28th, says: "Thanks to the dense woods the whole of the enemy was able to delay the advancing armies and to hold up thousands with their nests of machine-guns. Hence the enemy's losses were infinitesimal compared with the time gained. He saved most of the guns, although obliged to destroy the ammunition."

#### Enemy Plans Wrecked.

The abandonment of the Marne, however, which the enemy held as long as possible in order to keep the important railway from Epervan to Chateau Thierry under observation, will considerably accentuate our progress. Indeed the pace has already quickened. It is certain that the enemy will not make a stand on the Ourcq, though doubtless when we reach his prepared positions we shall find him in great strength. What the Germans chiefly suffer from is the immense setback in their plans from which they will possibly be unable to recover before the end of the campaigning season.

London, July 29.—The enemy has definitely abandoned the line of the Ourcq and there is little doubt but that he will retreat behind the Vesle, which will give him a pretty straight line between Soissons and Rheims. This very good line is probably well entrenched. It has good communications rearwards and also three railway lines behind the front.

Villages between Soissons and Bazoches are on fire, apparently indicating that the Germans are about to retreat further. The German withdrawal from the salient is a real Allied victory, but is not in any way a rout. So far only 100 have been taken prisoner, with four guns.

#### Large Booty Captured.

London, July 29.—A Paris semi-official message says that the number of prisoners taken in the retreat is not very high because the Allies can only advance most cautiously in variegated country favourable for defence by machine-gun nests while the Germans left only weak detachments with orders to hold on to the last in order to enable the main body to get away. Thus the enemy losses are relatively higher in killed than prisoners. On the contrary the booty is large, especially of engineering machinery. The Germans were able to move their light artillery but had to abandon the heavy guns, also most of their ammunition.

London, July 29.—A French communiqué says: North of the Marne



there was no change in the night time. We took 400 prisoners here yesterday.

London, July 30.—American Official: There was severe fighting beyond the Ourcq. Serpy, after changing hands four times, remains ours.

#### Smart British Operations.

London, July 29.—Field Marshal Haig reports: The Australians in the Morlancoeur sector captured two lines of trenches on a two miles front astride the Bray-Corbis road, took 100 prisoners and captured a number of machine-guns. The enemy's casualties were heavy but ours were light.

The Canadians twice successfully raided in the neighbourhood of Gavrelle.

London, July 29.—Field Marshal Haig reports: In a successful minor operation on the night of the 28th in the Morlancoeur sector we took 143 prisoners and 36 machine-guns. We gained all our objectives and beat off three counter-attacks, inflicting losses.

On aviation the Field Marshal reports that despite low clouds on the 28th our machines dropped ten tons of bombs on dumps, railway stations and billets at Douai, Armentieres, Bapaume and Chaubaines and some in the early morning. In fighting we brought down nine enemy aeroplanes. Four British machines are missing.

We bombed at night Bapaume and active batteries north of the Somme. All our machines returned.

London, July 26.—Field Marshal Haig: We repulsed attack on Aveluy wood and in the neighbourhood of Vieux Berquin. We took prisoner a few in an enemy unsuccessful attack on Meteren.

#### The Irish Debate.

London, July 30.—In the House of Commons, Mr. Dillon's motion (to refer the Irish question to a jury of Americans appointed by President Wilson) was rejected by 215 votes to 106.

London, July 29.—Mr. Asquith, speaking in the Irish debate, said that he believed that nothing had been done regarding the suggestions to consult the leading representatives of the Overseas Dominions in England with a view to arriving at a solution. Moreover, he appreciated that the Dominions delegates might be reluctant to undertake the responsibility in that direction. Nor could the Irish question be submitted to President Wilson. Concluding, he emphasised the necessity to the Empire and the Allies of finding an ultimate settlement.

#### Irishmen Themselves the Obstacle.

London, July 30.—Mr. Bonar Law, continuing the Irish debate in the House of Commons, emphasised that the real difficulty was not between Englishmen and Irishmen but between Irishmen and Irishmen. The same right of self determination claimed by the Ulstermen, and until Mr. Dillon was prepared publicly to recognise the difficulty, a settlement was impossible. Mr. Dillon himself admitted that the majority of the people of Ireland sided with the Germans. How, therefore, could Home Rule be given in those circumstances? He believed that not merely Irishmen in the trenches but Irishmen throughout the world who were willing to fight for liberty would ask whether men who held back in this, the greatest struggle in the world's history, really represented the race for which they were fighting and for which they should be willing to die.

#### The Etaples Outrage.

London, July 31.—In the House of Commons, Mr. Macpherson, replying to the German Government's attempt to justify the bombing of Etaples hospital on the night of May 19 on the ground that the Red Cross was not shown, said that he was satisfied that the Red Cross was shown, and then anyhow the hospitals were bombed on the night of May 31, although photographs in German newspapers showed that the Red Cross was displayed there on the 27th.

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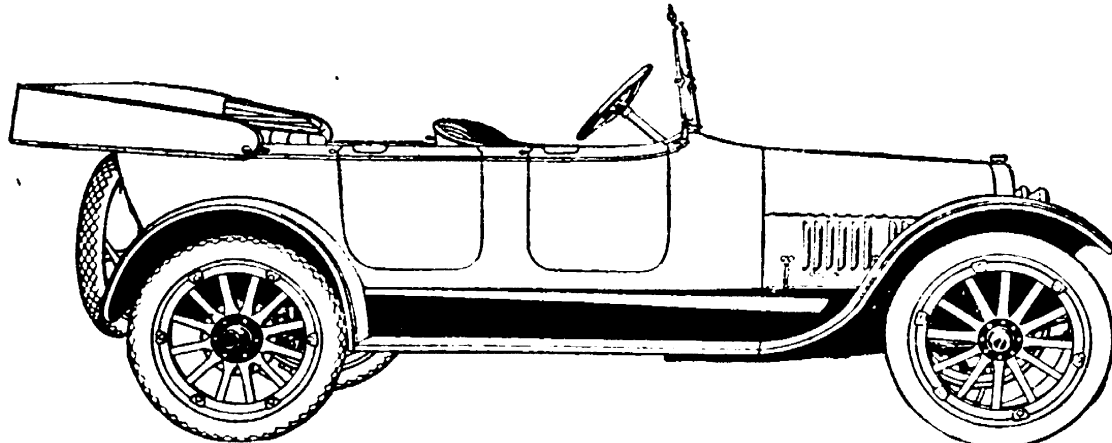
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### The Salient Battle.

Paris, July 28.—The Germans are in full retreat in the Soissons Rheims salient on a 22 miles line closely pursued by the Allies. Under blows delivered with renewing power by General Foch their resistance north of the Marne collapsed. The northern bank of this river is thus completely cleared to a depth of about 10 miles. The bulge made on May 27 is thus reduced by half. To cover that retreat of the forces on their centre, the enemy continues to cling with desperate determination to the vital flank positions south of Soissons and south and west of Rheims but on both sides is hard pressed while in the centre the Allied cavalry supported by infantry is hot on the Germans' heels.

London, July 28.—French Communiqué. To the north of the Marne we continued to progress at night time, when our elements reached the right bank, and approached the road to the south of the Ourcq. Our right approached the Dormans Rheims road. We repulsed several attacks on our new positions southward of Montsansonn also to the northeast of St. Hilaire.

Since, July 18 our tanks have gloriously participated in the battle driven in the enemy lines, and facilitated a forward rush of the infantry. They constantly accompanied or preceded Allied advance, and attacked centres of resistance, and the enemy batteries of each section. The tanks accounted for from 15 to 20 German machine-guns, and inflicted very heavy losses. Some tanks returned to the battle line from 4 to 5 times in the same day.

#### Enemy Admission of Defeat.

London, July 28.—The news of the German retreat is the most momentous since General Foch counter-attacked, for it is tantamount to an enemy admission of defeat. The obstinate resistance which the Germans opposed to the patient but relentless pressure exercised by the Allies led many to believe that the enemy command would rather sacrifice troops in a hopeless struggle than order a retirement which would finally shatter the belief of the German people in the invincibility of their leaders.

It has even been suggested that the enemy was preparing a counter-attack, or at least might stand on a new line, namely, Soissons-Chatillon, for the ruggedness of the country and the huge forces still at his disposal made a sur-

prise not out of the question. The Germans, however, packed in a cul-de-sac fifteen miles wide in the north and twelve in the south, have been living in an inferno of fire.

They have been subjected to a murderous cannonade from three sides, and unable latterly to use the railways, their only means of supply has been a narrow, winding hill-road, and where beyond the reach of the gunfire they have been incessantly bombed by air-men day and night.

The successful British advance west of Rheims, after the capture of Vrigny, was the first blow which made the enemy realise the danger to his force in the south. Then followed the fall of vital points in the west of the salient, Ville Montoire and Oulchy le Chateau, while the capture of Reud and the French advance north of Pont a Binson gave the Allies a new section of railway and enabled an incessant, murderous cannonade of the five mile strip of the Marne between Verneuil and Chatillon which the Germans were still desperately clinging.

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" Prachin "	4	30.5 "
" Nagor Nayok "	4	24.3 "
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London, July 30.—Lord Curzon, speaking at a banquet at Gray's Inn, said that at the beginning of the fifth year of war the purpose of the nation and of the Government showed no weakening, abatement or modification.

He believed that in the meetings of the Imperial War Cabinet lay the solution of the problems which had bewildered them for years. This machinery must now take more permanent shape. The sister nations of the Empire must continue to have a voice in the great decisions of the council chamber just as their soldiers had participated in the decisions in the field.

The events of the past fortnight were probably destined to exercise an influence on the whole course of the campaign not less remarkable than the battle of the Marne in 1914.

Continuing, Lord Curzon emphasised particulars of the enemy's failure, his loss of initiative and the importance of the blow inflicted upon the moral and prestige of the enemy troops. Although it was early to imagine that the enemy was beaten, the Allied forces had found a genius in General Foch.

Lord Curzon described the suddenness of the American entry into the fields of France as electric, reducing the enemy's superiority for equality, while the moral value of the enemy's ultimate numerical inferiority would be cumulative as time passed.

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