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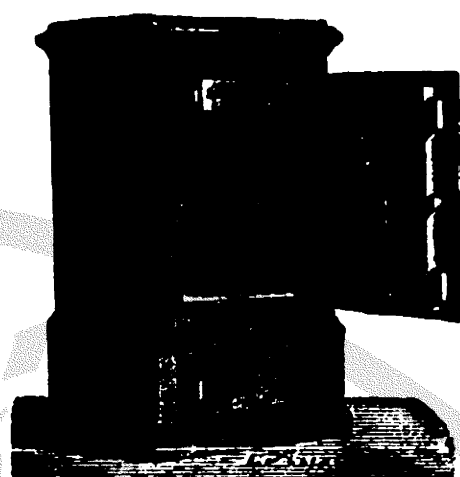
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Jan. A.M.
H. W. Ft. & in. L. W. (Approx.)

1	11 00	14 0
2	4 00	13 9
3	4 30	14 0
4	5 00	14 6
5	6 00	14 11
6	6 30	15 8
7	7 00	16 0	...	...
8	7 30	15 8	...	...
9	8 30	15 2	...	...
10	9 00	15 0	1-0	6-0
11	9 00	14 7	2-0	7-0
12	9 30	14 6	3-0	7-0
13	10 00	14 6	...	...
14	10 00	14 0	...	...
15	10 00	13 10	...	...
16	10 00	13 6	...	...
17	5 00	13 6	...	...
18	6 00	14 4	...	...
19	6 00	14 9	...	...
20	7 00	15 2	...	...
21	7 00	15 6	...	...
22	7 30	15 9	1-0	6-0
23	8 00	15 5	1-2	6-0
24	9 00	15 4	2-0	6-0
25	9 00	15 2	3-0	7-0
26	9 00	14 8	3-0	7-0
27	9 00	14 6	3-0	7-6
28	9 00	14 6	...	...
29	9 00	14 6	...	...
30	9 00	14 0	...	...
31	4 00	13 6	...	...

Jan. P.M.
H. W. Ft. & in. L. W. (Approx.)

1	...	...	9-10	7-8
2	...	...	10-11	7-8
3	...	...	10-11	6-7
4	...	...	10-11	6-0
5	2 30	12 3	11-12	6-0
6	2 30	12 8	11-12	6-0
7	3 00	12 8	11-12	6-0
8	4 00	13 2	12-0	6-0
9	5 00	13 0	...	...
10	6 30	12 10	...	...
11	7 00	12 6	...	...
12	8 00	11 10	...	...
13	8 30	11 4	...	...
14	9 30	11 0	...	...
15	...	...	9-10	7-6
16	...	...	9-10	7-0
17	...	...	10-11	7-0
18	2 00	12 0	10-11	7-0
19	3 00	12 3	...	...
20	3 00	12 3	...	...
21	3 00	12 3	...	...
22	4 30	12 3	...	...
23	5 00	13 0
24	6 00	13 3
25	6 30	13 0
26	8 00	12 7
27	9 00	12 5
28	10 00	12 0	5-6	8-0
29	7-8	7-8
30	8-9	7-0
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PHASES OF THE MOON.
Jan. 5th New Moon 11.33 a.m.
12th First Quarter 10.16 a.m.
20th Full Moon 3.11 p.m.
27th Last Quarter 7.17 a.m.

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PARIS—
Bank Bills, demand
GERMANY—
Bank Bills, demand
NEW YORK—
Bank Bills, demand U.S.A. 35 1/2
INDIA—
Bank Bills, demand Rs. 114
SINGAPORE—
Bank Bills, demand \$65 1/2
HONGKONG—
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Bulgaria From Within.

A Greek who has arrived at Salonika from Constantinople and Philippopolis gives an interesting account of conditions in Bulgaria. He assures me that there is as yet no direct communication by rail from Germany to Constantinople.

The line from Nish to Constantinople is all right, but between Belgrade and Nish it was disorganised by the Serbians in their retreat to such an extent that a friend of his was informed by a high Bulgarian railway official it was expected to be five weeks before trains could run through from Austria to Turkey.

Meanwhile munitions come down the Danube to Ruzhuk and passengers arrive through Rumania, crossing the Danube at Giurgevo to the same town. Though the Bulgarians are pleased at their success in occupying Macedonia, there is very evident an undercurrent of uneasiness among the more intelligent classes of the population, who feel that they have been made the cat's paw of Germany in what may yet prove a perilous adventure.

Much greater help was expected from the Germans than has been received, and it had been hoped that the price of victory against the Serbs would be limited to about 10,000 casualties. What the actual losses have been is unknown, though Bulgarian rumour places them even as high as the evidently exaggerated figure of 100,000.

The most rigid martial law prevails throughout the whole country. All news of the war is suppressed except the official reports. Relatives are not allowed to see their wounded or to receive any news from them. No one is permitted to leave a town without a permit. Bulgarian residents of Philippopolis who want to go to the station only to meet a friend are unable to do so without a pass.

The windows of all railway carriages are painted over and fastened so that it is impossible to see through them. Popular opinion realises its own ineffectiveness against the Government, but the impression of this Greek traveller is that the mass of the people

regret Bulgaria's entry into the campaign and would be glad to see a chance of making peace.

German influence in the country is, however, clearly omnipotent. German officers are to be seen in the streets of the towns and in considerable numbers at Sofia. The peasants, though fearing to express themselves openly, are emphatic in private conversation that they will not fight against the Russians, and if a Russian landing on the Danube bank, which the Bulgarians apparently consider likely, were to be made, the Mahomedan Bulgarians who have now been called up for military service would probably be the first troops to be sent against them.

Constantinople, when my informant left, was much as usual except for a considerable rise in the price of food. The casualties at the Dardanelles have been very high, one estimate placing them at least 20,000. Many sick arrive at Constantinople from the peninsula, and judging from the ragged state of their clothing the Turkish troops there are none too well supplied with stores.

The Turks maintain their confidence that the Dardanelles cannot be forced, and look forward, when they receive ammunition freely from Germany, to driving the Allies off the peninsula.

My Greek informant himself saw a party of Austrian and German gunners starting for Chank (at the Narrows), and a railway official told him that a battery of German 10in. guns had recently been sent there. (Ex.)

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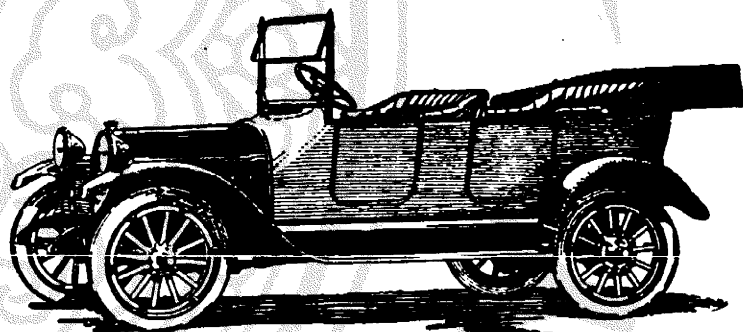
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TIME TABLE.

PAKNAM—BANGKOK.					BANGKOK—PAKNAM.				
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 ..	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 ..	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

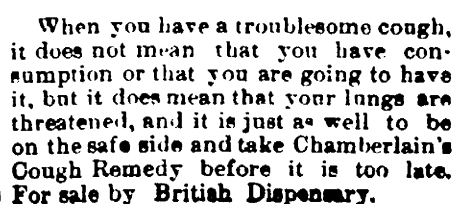
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Bangkok	Dep.	a.m.	a.m.	p.m.	p.m.	Ban Meh	a.m.	a.m.	p.m.	
Ayuthia	Arr.	9.3	11.41	3.33	5.45	Chang	Dep.	...	9.7	...
			p.m.						p.m.	
Ban. Phaji	Arr.	9.47	12.20	4.24	6.30	Den Chai	"	...	12.38	...
						Tha Sao	"	7.1	2.21	...
						Utaraht	"	7.18	2.40	...
						Ban Dara	Arr.	8.16	3.26	...
Ban Phaji	Dep.	a.m.	p.m.	a.m.	...					
Lopburi	Arr.	9.57	2.37	5.48	...	Sawa'loke	Dep.	7.1	2.10	...
		11.5	1.55			Ban Dara	Arr.	8.1	3.11	...
			p.m.							...
Chengkret	D-p.	12.33	3.38	...	7.25					
Pak'poh	Arr.	2.17	5.40	...	9.54					
							a.m.	p.m.		
Pak'poh	Dep.	p.m.	a.m.			Ban Dara	Dep.	8.24	3.32	...
Pitsa'loke	Arr.	6.1	11.5	Pitsa'loke	Arr.	10.43	5.30	...
							p.m.			a.m.
Pitsa'loke	Dep.	a.m.	a.m.	p.m.	...	Pitsa'loke	Dep.	1.45	...	7.1
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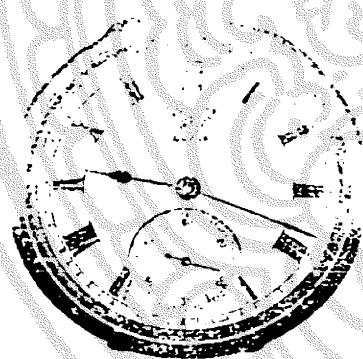
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SANAM CHANDRA.

Saturday, Jan. 15.

This afternoon at 4.30 p.m. His Majesty the King, attended by members of his suite, left Bangkok Noi Terminus by Special Train for Sanam Chandra. There were many members of the Royal Family and officials who came to see His Majesty off at the Station; among whom Assistant Superintendent C. H. Forty, of the Police, who formerly served in the 1st Battalion of the Durham Light Infantry at the same period as that during which the King served in the said regiment, had the honour of being presented to His Majesty, who conversed for some time with his former brother officer. Mr. Forty conveyed to the King a personal message of greeting and congratulation from Lieutenant-Colonel B. W. L. McMahon, who was Adjutant of the 1st Battalion of the Durham Light Infantry at the period of the King's service therein, who subsequently commanded the 2nd Battalion at the front in France, and is now on staff duty in England. Mr. Forty also offered the King his own personal respectful congratulation upon His Majesty's having been made an Honorary General in the British Army and especially upon his renewed connection with the Durham Light Infantry, which has caused lively satisfaction to all the officers and men of that regiment, both past and present.

After having conversed with the members of the Royal Family and officials His Majesty entered the Royal Saloon and the Special train left the Bangkok Noi Terminus.

At 5.45 p.m. the Royal Train reached Nagor Pathom where His Excellency Phya Maha Amatya, Viceroy of the Western Provinces and Lord Lieutenant of Nagor Jaisri Circle and officials waited to receive His Majesty. A Guard of Honour was provided by a Company of the 12th Infantry Regiment.

From the Station His Majesty drove in a motor car to Sanam Chandra.

Struck Off the Roll.

Luang Prakat Tamnoonkitch.

A Siamese barrister who has been practising for several years was reported to the Law Association for unprofessional conduct. The matter was enquired into by the Association and their finding was forwarded to the Court of Appeal.

To-day H. R. H. Prince Prom, Chief Judge of the Appeal Court with other Judges after hearing Luang Prakat confirmed the finding of the Law Association striking his name off the roll.

Tearing off Shoulder Strap.

Nai Plum, a messenger of the German Legation, aged about sixty, who was going along the Si Phya road with a letter to be delivered to the Austrian Legation when almost opposite the Consular Hotel was attacked by three Europeans who tore off one of his shoulder straps. The old man insisted upon the return of his strap but he was dealt a blow which cut him below the right eye.

The German Legation has lodged a complaint with the Siamese Government. It is to be greatly regretted that conduct of this kind should have occurred and it is hoped that the Police would be able to trace the wrongdoers. We learn later that two of the persons implicated are British subjects and one a Russian subject. After the attack, it appears they left hurriedly in a hurry but the Police were able to trace them.

Extracts from the Government Gazette.

Of the 16th January, 2458.

H. E. Phya Dharmasakii Montri, under Secretary of the Ministry of Education who has been acting Governor of the Civil Service College having carried out his duties in a worthy manner his appointment as Governor has been confirmed. H. E. Phya Prandhi Lubhakom the Athibdi of the Mahat Lek has been nominated as an additional member of the Committee of the said College.

The Mondhols of Nagor Jaisri and Rajaburi have been joined and will be known as the Mondhol Parg Tawan Tok as from the 1st of January.

H. R. H. Prince Chandaburi, Minister of Finance announces, that owing to the improvement in the condition of the paddy fields in the district of the Amphur of Pichai in Utharadit and at Hat Kruch in the Amphur district of Chum Sang in Bannuloke the taxation on same has been advanced.

H. E. Chow Phya Abhai Raja, Minister of Justice, announces that as by royal authority the name Muang Bang Nara has been changed into Muang Nara Thiwat, the name Mondhol Chumpon has been changed to Mondhol Surasara, the name Poom Rien has been changed to Muang Chaya, the name Premburi has been changed to Muang Pracheeb Kirikarn, and the name Pichai has been changed to Muang Utharadit, the Courts at above said places will be styled according to the new names of the said places.

Phya Charoen Rajathorn, the well known Rice Miller and merchant, has been promoted to be Phya Chadok Rajasathi.

At the end of December last the currency notes in circulation amounted to Tcs. 35,783,625 against which there was in the Treasury silver to the value of Tcs. 21,244,423-17 and the balance in various stocks.

British Torpedo Boats in the Gulf.

Yesterday evening as the s.s. Kamor was coming up to Bangkok from Singapore she was signalled to stop by the Torpedo Destroyer Paramatta. When the Kamor stopped the officers of the Paramatta boarded the ship and after examining the ship's papers allowed her to proceed on her voyage.

With regard to the capture of Capt. Siemen on the Siamese steam lighter Dusit we learn that the affair took place on the High Seas and the right to capture enemy subjects employed in neutral vessels was put into effect by the officer in charge of the Torpedo Destroyer Warego. Ships arriving from Hongkong have so far not been searched.

There are now cruising in the Gulf two torpedo destroyers and one torpedo boat.

LOCAL AND GENERAL.

Latest telegrams will be found on page 6.

FOR prices of good official and mercantile paper please see advertisement on page 7.

THE Post and Telegraph Department reports that Nongkai line is non-averable. Other lines are in order.

CAPT. Odner of the s.s. Kamor will be relinquishing his command of this vessel about the middle of next month when he will proceed to Norway on a holiday.

Mr. Winston Churchill, now in the firing line in France, had a narrow escape from death on December 16. A German shell wrecked his dug-out and killed an orderly standing beside him.

CAPT. Flashman appeared to-day before a Board of Examiners composed of the Harbour Master General, Commander Foss, of the Harbour Department with Capt. Bojesen R.S.N.R. and Capt. Odner of the s.s. Kamor as Assessors and after having passed a successful examination he was granted a Pilot's License and Certificate of Competency.

THE following resolution is being passed by rural district councils in Norfolk: "That in view of the heavy cost of maintenance of roads and parish highways, the burden of which fell entirely upon local rates, the Chancellor of the Exchequer be asked to consider the probability of imposing a small tax on all users of bicycles, the revenue from the same to be applied in aid of local taxation."

A CIVIL and Military Gazette special cable quotes a message from M. Briand, French Premier, to the New York World, stating: 1915 has demonstrated our ability to check the enemy attacks with comparative ease. We shall hurl him back with frightful punishment when we take the offensive. It has been a year of hard work and organization. 1916 is bright with the promise that we shall reap the reward of our effort.

Patriotic League of Britons Overseas.

The first annual general meeting of the subscribers to the Bangkok Branch of the Patriotic League of Britons Overseas was held yesterday evening at the Court House in the British Legation. Those present were Mr. Hamilton Price (in the Chair), Mr. Hamilton Price, Mr. G. E. Allan, Mr. G. H. Ardron, Mr. W. E. Adam, Mr. G. R. Brooks, Mr. R. E. Bryant, Mr. R. H. Brown, Mr. Brewitt-Taylor, Mr. J. Crosby, Mr. A. Carson (Hon. Sec.), Mr. M. T. Cooke-Collis, Mr. B. O. Cartwright, Mr. A. Donaldson, Mr. R. D. Friendship, Mr. S. H. Hendrick, Mr. H. Leatherbarrow, Mr. J. Mackay, Mr. J. M. Milne, Mr. W. H. Mundie, Mr. A. Marcan, Mr. J. Mitchell, Mr. A. Trice Martin, Mr. T. H. Pollard, Mr. J. D. Powell, Mr. J. A. Pierson Strachan, Mr. J. S. Smyth, Mr. Skinner Turner, Dr. Thib. Mr. W. J. F. Williamson and a few others.

After the minutes of the previous meeting were read and confirmed the Chairman said that in producing the accounts before the meeting the committee had not very much to say. The main facts were that the League had collected £8,581.25 of which £8,426.99 had been remitted to the Central Office in London. Out of the total amount collected only £31.36 had been spent in Bangkok as sundry expenses (Hear, hear). Their thanks should go to the Honorary Secretary who had kept the accounts, the "Bangkok Times" for doing all the printing free of charge and to Mr. Donaldson who had been kind enough to go through the accounts. Unfortunately they have not got a balance-sheet from Home yet. In an organisation of this description they would like to know how much had been expended but this they did not know yet. However, from a letter he had received he was able to state that up to July the Home Office had collected £37,456 out of which they had presented ten seaplanes at £35,000, each costing £3,500. Up to 2nd November they had collected £45,313 out of which they paid the original £35,000 and made a second donation of two more planes at £7,000 leaving a balance of £23,313. That is all the information they had as regards expenses at Home. From a letter dated 26th November there were some other points he would like to refer to. They referred to the British Red Cross, suggestions for supplying beds to the Netley or some other hospital, support for the blind soldiers, national registration, small monthly payments etc. All of which he thought had better be discussed later.

On the proposition of Mr. Cooke-Collis, seconded by Mr. Milne and unanimously carried the accounts of the past year were adopted.

Mr. Ardron proposed that the present committee be re-elected. The proposition was seconded by Mr. Cooke-Collis and carried unanimously.

On the proposition of Mr. Hendrick, seconded by Mr. Mackay and unanimously carried the Hon. Secretary and Treasurer Mr. A. Carson, and the Hon. Auditor, Mr. A. Donaldson, were re-elected.

Mr. Adams proposed that the Hon. President, Mr. T. A. Lyle and the Hon. Vice-President, Mr. J. Crosby be also re-elected. The motion was seconded by Mr. Hendrick and carried.

Then followed some discussion in which the members urged the necessity of everyone doing his best to give every support to their country at this time of need and ways and means for giving more help were suggested.

Mr. Smyth said that there was no doubt that they would like to be at the front fighting with their kindred but as they were not able to be there they must do their best here. He thought the ladies were doing quite well in sending warm clothing Home. (Hear, hear.) He hoped the Patriotic Britons Overseas will take this matter to heart by trying to exercise economy and using the money so saved for the support of the war loan. (Hear, hear.)

Mr. Aitchison suggested that some scheme be devised whereby they might get the junior men of Bangkok to subscribe towards the war loan. Something in the way of getting some security or guarantee.

The Chairman said that when this matter was discussed they had met with some difficulty as the committee was not appointed to do anything of this nature at all. They had no authority to make any scheme. If after this resolution is passed the proposer is willing to make another resolution that the committee be authorised to make out such a scheme then they will have every opportunity of doing so.

Mr. Aitchison next proposed that the committee be instructed to go into the matter of finding out some practical and sound way by which some subscribers may be induced to take up a portion of the war loan.

The motion was seconded by Mr. Brewitt-Taylor and carried.

As regards the Red Cross, beds for hospitals and other items Mr. Ardron suggested that the committee be instructed to circulate the members of League about notifications that come out here so that the members can put forward their views on these matters at a meeting.

The proposition was seconded by Mr. Brown and carried.

A hearty vote of thanks to the Hon. Secretary and Treasurer proposed by Mr. Hendrick brought the meeting to a close.

THE Great War.

Blowing Up More Bridges.

(REUTER'S TELEGRAM.)
London, Jan. 17.
Athens.—The French have blown up more bridges across the Struma.

Fire at Bergen.

(REUTER'S TELEGRAM.)
London, Jan. 17.
Bergen.—A great fire swept the town yesterday and to-day but is now under control. It spread to twenty different quarters. Thousands are homeless.

A Submarine Sunk.

(REUTER'S TELEGRAM.)
London, Jan. 16.
New York.—Submarine E2 has been sunk after an explosion at the Brooklyn Navy yard.

In Persia.

(REUTER'S TELEGRAM.)
London, Jan. 17.
A Petrograd communique says that in Persia we occupied Kangavar on the road to Kermanshah.

In the Caucasus.

(REUTER'S TELEGRAM.)
London, Jan. 17.
Caucasus.—In the fighting on Friday we captured twenty Turkish officers and over 400 troops.

A British Success in Mesopotamia.

(REUTER'S TELEGRAM.)
London, Jan. 17.
Delhi.—The British have won an important success in Mesopotamia. General Aylmer gave battle to the Turkish forces who had retired to positions at Orah astride the Tigris twenty-five miles eastward of Kut.

Great German Effort in Champagne.

Paris, Jan. 10.—A communique states that the Germans have developed in Champagne an attack under cover of a violent bombardment, poison-gas, and shells. They attempted four concentric actions by day and night on a front of eight kilometres in the region of Butte de Mamiel. Everywhere our fire decimated the enemy and checked his offensive, the enemy only gained a momentary footing on two points in our first line, but a vigorous counter-attack drove him out. He now occupies only two small parts of the advanced trenches.

Paris, Jan. 11.—A communique says that artillery activity is general along the entire front. There has been a violent bombardment on the heights of the Meuse, where the enemy trenches were wrecked.

Stibborn and continued engagements in Champagne enabled the French to re-occupy nearly all the lost ground. The German operations, both as regards numbers and the means employed, were of a far-reaching character, and were intended to produce important results, which, however ended in complete failure. An entire brigade was hurled on a single point of a large front.

Petrograd, Jan. 11.—The communique states that on the west front there was calm in Galicia and eastward of Czernovitz. The enemy, suffering from the heavy losses inflicted by our rapid and violent blow, and disorganised by desperate barren attempts to recapture the lost positions, is completely inactive.

The War by Air.

Planned by a Conference.

Paris, Jan. 11.—The monthly Anglo-French conference on military aviation is developing into an allied conference. The Russian aviation mission has already arrived.

London, Jan. 11.—Lieutenant Gordon Duke and Warrant Officer Fraser flying at Eastbourne fell and were killed.

The Salonika Arrests.

Toulon, Jan. 10.—There is a new development in connection with the enemy consuls arrested at Salonika. They have been transferred from a British ship to the auxiliary cruiser Savoie where they are interned.

Persons and Politics.

A New Home Secretary.

Mr. Herbert Samuel has been appointed Home Secretary.

Roll of Honour.
London, Jan. 10.—Died of wounds: Rear Admiral John Tuke.

London, Jan. 11.—The killed in action include Second Lieut. Cyril Bussey, of the South Staffords, the well known footballer.

London, Jan. 11.—The death has occurred of Sir Samuel Way.

London, Jan. 10.—The newspapers pay warm tributes to Lord Burnham, the grand old man of British journalism.

Their Majesties telegraphed their sympathy with the family.

London, Jan. 11.—In the House of Commons Mr. Neville asked whether the rule that subalterns and captains of the Indian and Egyptian armies must serve nine years in those ranks will be enforced, with the result that junior officers of the British Regular and Territorial armies, many of whom are ignorant of the native languages, are being promoted over the heads of Indian and Egyptian officers who are their seniors and familiar with the native languages.

Mr. Chamberlain said that an appropriate remedy for the disparity resulting from the exceptional conditions of the war was not easy to devise. Suggestions made by the Indian Government had been examined by a committee of the War Office and India Office. "I await their recommendations."

The Position of Labour.

London, Jan. 10.—A prolonged Cabinet meeting was held this afternoon at which Messrs. Henderson, McKenna and Runciman attended. It is understood the chief topic was the Labour position.

The re-opening of the groups has already met with a good response and many are attesting throughout the country.

Possible Resignations.
London, Jan. 11.—Mr. Asquith announced that any acceptance of a ministerial resignation would be promptly intimated at present on Ian Hamilton's report and would not assent to any inquiry into the Dardanelles operations.

A Candidate.
London, Jan. 11.—Mr. F. N. Charrington announced that he stands at Mile End as a patriotic independent in favour of the Compulsion Bill.

London, Jan. 10.—Sir Walter Lawrence, Commissioner for Indian hospitals, reports that no serious charge has been brought against any patient or convalescent in England or France.

Still on the Swing.

London, Jan. 10.—In the House of Commons Mr. Chamberlain announced important operations in Mesopotamia for the relief of Kut-el-Amara. General Aylmer left Ali Gherbi on the 6th inst. for Kut. General Townshend reported that on the 6th there was heavy fighting to the north-west of Kut, but the enemy had not attacked them. Gen. Aylmer, who had a fifty mile march along the Tigris to Kut, reported heavy fighting on both banks of the river Tigris on the night of the 7th. General Campbell's column on the right bank carried the enemy's positions, taking two guns and seven hundred prisoners. Meanwhile the main attack on the left bank had been retarded by an enemy flanking movement. Gen. Aylmer reported that he was opposed by three Turkish divisions. Gen. Aylmer on the night of the 8th reported that owing to the fatigue of the troops he was unable to make progress, but on the 9th the enemy was retreating and he was pursuing, although hindered by rain. The latest telegrams state that the Turks were still retreating and had reached Orah.

London, Jan. 10.—In the House of Commons Mr. Chamberlain announced that General Nixon, owing to ill-health, had relinquished the command in Mesopotamia and was returning home. His successor was Sir Percy Lake, Chief of the General Staff of India.

The Dardanelles.

London, Jan. 10.—In the House of Commons Mr. Asquith expressed his extreme gratification at the retirement from Cape Helles without the loss of a single life. Ten out of the eleven guns abandoned were worn out fifteen-pounders and these were rendered unfit for further service. All stores and reserve ammunition which could not be removed were burnt. These operations, combined with those at Suvla Bay, are without parallel in military and naval history and are an achievement of which commanders, officers, and men of both services may well be proud.

Mr. Asquith continued that the retirement from Gallipoli deserves and will receive the profound gratitude of King and country and would take an imperishable place in our national history. The King will be advised that General Monro, Admirals de Robeck and Wemyss, Generals Birdwood, Davies and other officers should receive a special recognition.

London, Jan. 11.—A Paris communique with reference to Gallipoli says that all French material was re-

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moved, except six naval guns which were destroyed. These are included in the seventeen mentioned in the British communique. The Turks only started firing at four in the morning of the ninth, when the embarkation was completed.

The Baralong.

London, Jan. 10.—Two Americans who were on board the Nicotian at the time of the Baralong affair give the following statements: that the British shot Germans either in the water or on board the Nicotian. They are Corporal Carson and Driver Dempsey, both having joined the British army out of a spirit of adventure. Both were interviewed at Blackpool. Carson was one of those who actually returned to the Nicotian after the Baralong sank the submarine remaining on board all night, therefore he is in a position to know exactly what occurred there. He says that no such words "Take no prisoners" were ever uttered by Captain McBride. "I saw no shooting of any one. There were shots fired but I have best of reason to know what these were because I myself was shooting wounded mules. This I think was how the stories of shooting Germans arose. I neither saw nor heard of any Germans being shot in the water. Dempsey confirms this and adds: 'the story that the submarine captain was shot in the water is new to me. I swear nothing of the sort happened.' They concluded that the two Americans who made affidavits had a grudge against the English members of the Nicotian crew.

Philadelphia, Jan. 11.—Six were killed in the explosion at the Dupont works. The cause is being investigated.

Philadelphia, Jan. 10.—A terrific explosion occurred in the Dupont munition works at Carney's point in which many were killed or injured. It is asserted that outside influences are responsible. Details are lacking as the telegraphs are interrupted.

THE President of the Board of Agriculture and Fisheries is now in a position to state that a show of thoroughbred stallions will be held in conjunction with the Hants Improvement Society at the Royal Agricultural Hall on Feb. 29 and March 1, 1916, and that sixty King's premiums (including twelve super premiums) will be offered for award by the Board on the same conditions as obtained at the show held in March last. In addition to the King's premiums the Board will be prepared to consider recommendations from their country light horse-breeding committees for the award of approximately forty Board's premiums.

THE famous polo player, Capt. F. O. Free fell, 9th Lancers, the first British officer to win the V. C. in the present war, who was killed in France on May 24 left unsettled property of the gross value of £40,369 12s. 6d. His will contained several items of sporting interest. He desired his trustees to obtain from the Government after the war his pony, Pearl of Peace, which was ridden by his brother Riversdale all through the retreat from Mons, and by himself on all other occasions, and to give it to Mrs. Duggan, of Birfield, Old Windsor. He desired that mementoes, including polo cups, should be given to several servants. He gave the Nadir Cup, Spear, and Hoghead won by his brother, "Rivy," to the Bath Club.

Dewars Whisky

Still the Leading Whisky



Dewars Whisky.

THE Great War.

Various.

(HAYAS TELEGRAM.)

Paris, Jan. 16.

There have been lively artillery actions in Champagne, Argonne and Woivre.

Petrograd.—In Persia we have occupied Kangavar.

Rome.—There has been artillery activity. We destroyed 400 metres of the enemy trenches at San Michele.

New York.—An American submarine exploded and sank in the Brooklyn arsenal. A dozen people were wounded and four were killed.

Contradictory Reports About the Kaiser.

(HAYAS TELEGRAM.)

Paris, Jan. 16.

Geneva.—There are contradictory reports about the Kaiser. A Berlin telegram states that he breakfasted at the house of the Chancellor yesterday while a Rome telegram says that the Kaiser, who was operated on Thursday, is not yet out of danger.

German Press on Greece.

The German Press, which has so long been advertising as a fact the supposition that Greece would intervene on the side of the Central Empires, now finds it difficult to envisage the true situation. The German papers are endeavouring to induce in the popular mind the belief that Greek neutrality is a victory for Germany which was really desired by them. The "Frankfort Gazette," for instance, says, "Constantine listened for more than an hour to Lord Kitchener. The King said nothing except to say ironically that he thought he might be still regarded as the one person who would be called upon to safeguard Greek interests. He still believed that it was to the best interests of his country to preserve its neutrality."—Ex. Tel. Co.

A German Critic and Serbia.

Writing about the conclusion of German operations in Serbia, Major Mohradt in the "Tagblatt" states that Germany must not expect that the remainder of the Serbian Army will be idle, nor must the German General Staff neglect the possibility of Italian intervention.

Referring to recent events concerning the war Major Mohradt writes: Who could deny that we Germans would not rather have Paris in our hands than be perpetually waiting between Lille and Verdun; who would not have preferred to see a Sedan in Poland rather than our continual pursuit of Russians; who would not rather have seen the rest of the Serbian Army made prisoners than know they were in Albanian mountains?

Yet our attacks are not failures. Because all this has not happened we must not cause others to believe that we gladly renounced giving the Serbs a decisive blow. No German officer could expect the Serbs to place themselves at the disposal of our armies, but honourable critics must admit that we would have gladly forced them to a decisive fight had it been possible. The Serbian Army leaders in the face of emergency are absolutely equal to that emergency.—Ex. Tel. Co.

Rumania Bars German Troops.

The "Corriere della Sera" learns from Bucharest that a part of the Austro German troops withdrawn from the Serbian front have been sent to Rustchuk, on the Middle Danube.

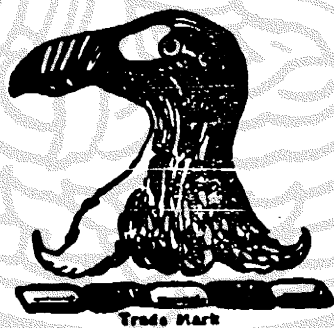
The Rumanian Government has declared to the Austrian Government that it cannot allow the passage of German troops below Rustchuk. Rumanian troops, which were encamped at Guirgovo, have withdrawn towards Oltenia. The Rumanian territory bordering the Danube has been declared a military zone. It is reported that the Court archives and public administrative bodies at Turnu and Magurelle have been removed to Roside and Vede.—Ex. Tel. Co.

Talk of Rumanian Ultimatum.

Swiss newspapers publish a Bucharest despatch, ascribing to the Rumanian Government an intention to issue an ultimatum to Austria as soon as half a million troops of the Entente Powers have concentrated in the Balkans.

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Irregulars.	
W. G. Johnson, st. Cooke-Collis, b Christmas	5
B. Hailoran Brown, c Dering, b Sutton	0
Skinnet Turner, b Sutton	2
P. Nesbitt, c Sutton b Christmas	4
R. D. Craig, run out	70
Mom Chao Sithiporn, b Sutton	13
W. A. Graham, b Horne	8
M. F. Buzzard, b Sutton	11
O. M. Peiniger, b Ferdinands	6
Mom Chao Kechorn, b Jenkins	0
J. M. Sinclair, b Jenkins	6
W. Nunn, not out	9
Extras	28

Bowling Analysis.				
	O.	M.	R.	W.
Sutton	11	3	25	4
Christmas	10	4	23	2
Jenkins	8	1	22	2
Ferdinands	3.1	—	24	1
Horne	3	—	25	1

Regulars.	
P. Christmas, b Nesbitt	16
N. Sutton, lbw., b Johnson	0
G. A. C. Preston, b Nesbitt	11
C. E. Ferdinands, c Johnson, b Nesbitt	2
M. T. Cooke-Collis, b Johnson	0
T. R. Jenkins, c Nesbitt, b Johnson	6
H. E. Jones, b Nesbitt	0
H. G. Dering, b Nesbitt	0
L. W. Horne, b Johnson	0
J. C. Roberts, not out	4
H. Price, lbw., b Johnson	0
Extras	43

Bowling Analysis.				
	O.	M.	R.	W.
Nesbitt	9	2	16	5
Johnson	9	2	27	5

The Irregulars going in a second time put up 70 for all out, Ferdinands capturing 6 wickets for 25 runs.

In Indo-China.

Fighting in Upper Laos.

The military operations in the Upper Laos against bands of pirates, acting with the material and moral assistance of the enemies of France, have been resumed vigorously. About the middle of December the pirates were driven from positions at Moipha and Banlongnai which they thought impregnable. They suffered heavy losses and left important booty. Many have taken refuge in Chinese territory. Colonel Friguesnon, commanding the troops in the Upper Laos, reports the death of Captain Marlatz, killed at Banlongnai when charging at the head of his company. Three French non-commissioned officers and thirty Tonkinese tirailleurs have been wounded during these engagements.

Irish Recruiting.

Lord Wimborne has sent out a second circular letter in support of the recruiting movement in Ireland, in which he says: "Since my first letter to you enough men to form six complete battalions have rallied to the support of those Irishmen who have already joined. One hundred thousand Irishmen had joined in the year that had passed."

American Move Against Britain.

Legislation embodying a retaliatory embargo against Great Britain may be recommended in President Wilson's forthcoming Congressional message. The subject is certain to be discussed in Congress.—Ex. Tel. Co.

Germany's Fourth War Loan.

A message from Berlin states that Germany intends to launch a new War Loan of 10 milliards of marks about the middle of January. German financial experts hope that with the aid of this loan, the fourth of its kind, and with that of the new tax on war profits, they will be able to finance the war until Easter. In financial circles the loan is viewed with considerable misgivings, as a considerable part of the old War Loans has not yet been subscribed. The Chancellor will, it is expected, make a statement on the subject at the opening of the Reichstag.—Ex. Tel. Co.

Allied Aviators Destroy Bridge.

The "Telegraph" states that seven Allied aviators threw bombs on the railway bridge over the Scheldt near Ename. Five bombs hit the bridge, which was destroyed. It was an important bridge in communication with both Courtrai and Brussels. The following day the Germans summoned the civilians to assist in rebuilding the bridge.—Ex. Tel. Co.

Release of Hostages.

Pourparlers for the repatriation of the French populations taken as hostages by the Germans have ended in a most agreeable manner. Twenty thousand people have been sent across Switzerland from Schaffhausen via Geneva to Annemasse.—Ex. Tel. Co.

Significant Rates of Exchange.

A telegram from Geneva to the "Echo de Paris" says that on the Bourse at Geneva the German rate of exchange has fallen to 106, while the French rate has slightly risen.—Ex. Tel. Co.

Reduced German Entries.

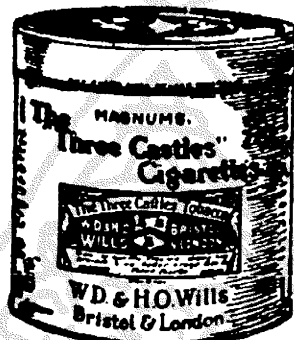
That Germany is "feeling the pinch" is shown pretty plainly by the substantial falling off in the entries for the chief races of next season at Berlin-Gruenewald and Hoppengarten. Several events which in the ordinary course should have closed in November 1914, only closed this autumn. The Preis der Diana has dropped over 50 per cent, from 75 subscriptions for this year's race to 37 for next season's. The drop in the St. Leger from 91 entries to 39 is even more marked. There was no Stuten Biennial run this year, but compared with the previous on the entry for next year is only 54 against 81, while the Union Reinen has declined from 73 this season, and 84 in 1914, to 45. Several other races show a similar decrease. Were it not for the Royal Graditz Stud and such other prominent stables as those of the Herren von Weinberg, Freiherr von Oppenheim, and Herr Haniel, the entries would have been poor indeed.—Sportsman.

Pro-Allies Editor Sentenced.

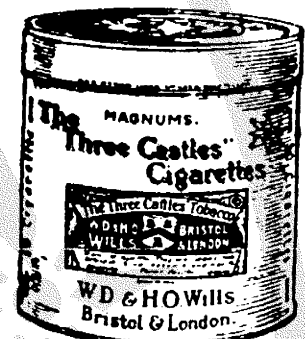
In the Amsterdam Court of Justice a sentence of six months' imprisonment was passed upon the editor-in-chief of the pro-Allied Amsterdam journal, "De Telegraaf," because he had written: "In Central Europe live a number of scoundrels who are responsible for the present war."—Ex. Tel. Co.

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In size the new ships will equal the California, now under construction at the New York navy yard. They will displace 32,000 tons, measure 625 feet in length over all, 97 feet 8 inches in beam, and draw 30 feet of water. They will have a speed of 20½ knots an hour, and will be driven by turbine engines, since the Navy Department probably will not build more ships of combined steam and electric drive, as in the California, until that vessel has proved her worth. They will carry a dozen 14-inch guns, each in their main battery,

mounted three to a turret, and with 30 degrees elevation; 23.5 inch guns for defence against destroyers, four submerged torpedo tubes, and three anti-aircraft guns.

The steady increase in size of battle-ships is shown by a comparison of the new vessels with the Nevada, the latest addition to the navy. They will displace 2,500 tons more than the Nevada, show an increased length of nearly 50 feet, and a few feet additional breadth, and will mount twelve big guns, against the Nevada's ten.


In appearance the new ships will show a marked departure from vessels of their type now in commission, as they will be constructed with long overhanging bows, known as clipper stems, patterned after swift sailing ships of days gone by. The result, in the opinion of navy designers, will be to give the battlecraft greater freedom from pitching in heavy seas.

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