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" " " 26	" " "Karnala"	" 26
" " " 9	" " "Morca"	July 10
" " " 23	" " "Khyber"	" 24
" " " 6	" " "Medina"	Aug. 7
" " " 20	" " "Mongolia"	" 21
" " " 3	" " "Malwa"	Sept. 4

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" " " " do do Aug. 21 do Sept. 29	

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Due Singapore	Connection with	Leaving London
s/s "Novara" April 30	s/s "Morca"	April 1
" " " 14	" " "Khyber"	" 15
" " " 19	" " " "	" 15
" " " 28	" " "Medina"	" 29
" " " 11	" " "Mongolia"	May 13
" " " 25	" " "Malwa"	" 27
" " " 30	" " " "	" 27
" " " 9	" " "Kaiser-i-hand"	June 10
" " " 23	" " "Mooltan"	" 24
" " " 6	" " "Kashgar"	July 8
" " " 20	" " "Karnala"	" 22
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" " " 28	" " "Hitachi Maru " 30
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s. s. Kashima Maru " 19	s. s. Miyazaki Maru " 27
s. s. Mishima Maru Aug. 2	s. s. Kitauo Maru Oct. 11
s. s. Suwa Maru " 16	

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s. s. Asutsu Maru " 28	s. s. Fushimi Maru " 27
s. s. Hitachi Maru July 2	s. s. Hiranaka Maru Sept. 10
s. s. Iyo Maru " 16	s. s. Kaga Maru " 24

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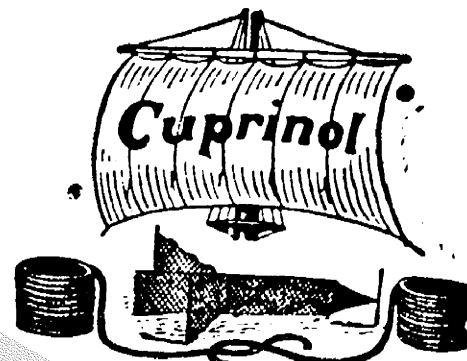
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" " "Asiang" ...	11th " "
" " "Yngala" ...	15th " "
" " "Borilat" ...	22nd " "
" " "Prachatipok" ...	25th " "
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July	A.M.			
	H. W.	Ft. & in.	L. W.	(Approx.)
1	3 00	11 0	11-12	5-6
2	4 00	11 11
3	5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

PHASES OF THE MOON.

June 30th	0 New Moon	5.25 p.m.
July 8th	1st Quarter	6.37 p.m.
15th	0 Full Moon	11.22 a.m.
22nd	1st Quarter	6.15 a.m.
30th	0 New Moon	8.57 a.m.

Views of a Well-Known German.

Regarding the future of German foreign trade after the war, Herr Philipp Heineken, general director of the North German Lloyd Company, expressed the opinion that Germany can await the threatened commercial war quite calmly.

There must, he says, be a great lack of knowledge and logic in economic affairs if the enemy countries imagine that it would be possible to cut Germany permanently from her enormous overseas imports without at the same time causing great injury to the exporting countries concerned.

A manufacturer accustomed to sending his goods to one customer would become bankrupt if that customer suddenly stopped his orders unless he had found another customer first. Just the same fate would threaten those countries exporting to Germany before the war. It would not be easy to send those enormous exports for Germany to some other land. North American cotton, Californian fruits, Brazilian coffee, which are now exclusive in the German market, would suffer severely if this condition continued in accordance with the plan of our enemies into peace times.

England might not object to damaging the economic interests of neutral countries in boycotting Germany, but, fortunately it is not only the neutral countries which would deplore the loss of the German markets.

England herself, through her Colonies, would be seriously affected. On the other side of the Channel they seem to have forgotten already that Chamberlain's idea of a Greater Britain, in the Imperial economic sense, was frustrated through the opposition of the Colonies which feared to lose their German market. These conditions have not changed to-day. The British Colonies in Africa, India, Australia and elsewhere, losing the German territory for their products of fats, oils, wool, cotton, tobacco, jute, and fruits, would suffer just as much as Germany herself. A boycott of the German commerce after the war would only have the effect of driving all the neutrals into the arms of Germany, who would naturally offer them specially advantageous terms. In any case, it is certain that Germany cannot be simply eliminated economically without the whole fabric of the world's economy tumbling into ruins and burying our foes as well as the neutrals under them.

The Bukovina.

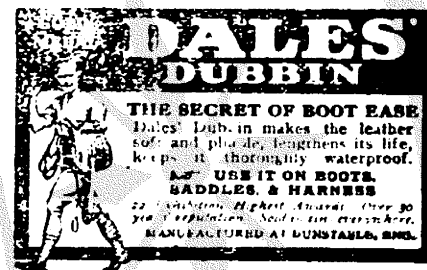
London, July 1.—The "Morning Post's" Buda Pest correspondent writing on the 22nd June says: Military critics all agree that the Russians will not continue their attacks in Volhynia, but will follow up their advantages in the Bukovina, and threaten Hungary, in accordance with the demands both of strategy and politics. The loss of Austrian territory is ten times more important than the regaining by Russia of her own land. The latter would not materially influence the political side of the campaign whereas if she could show that enemy territory was in her occupation, it would change the aspect of things very greatly. The possibility of the Russians crossing the Carpathians into Transylvania is much discussed. The crossing by even small columns would make relations with Rumania very difficult.

The British Attack.

London, July 1.—The "Times" correspondent referring to the British activity, says: The methods are those of the Verdun attack, but a great difference is that the Germans applied them to a comparatively restricted front. The British methods may be slow, but on extended front, with an ample supply of shells and guns, they are sure.

Unintended Enemies.

London, June 30.—Mr. Herbert Samuel stated in the House of Commons that there were 22,000 unintended enemies here. After excluding 10,000 women, 4,000 unredeemed Italian, Czechs, Poles, Armenians and other nationalities, forcibly held under enemy rule, and 1,500 aged over seventy, the remainder had all been exempted for some special reason. Some 800 or 900 resided in prohibited areas, but their permits had all been granted in consultation with Naval and Military authorities. As, however, the public was nervous on the matter he had appointed Colonel Alan Sykes and Sir Louis Dane as commissioners to review the permits.



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Stations.	Train No.	1	2	3
		a.m.	a.m.	p.m.
Paknam	Dep.	6.30	9.30	12.45
Bangkok	Dep.	7.45	10.45	2.00
*Maha Wong		6.35	9.35	12.50
*Ban Nang		6.40	9.40	12.55
Chorakhe		6.45	9.45	1.00
*Samrong		6.50	9.50	1.05
Bangna		6.55	9.55	1.10
Bangjak		7.00	10.00	1.15
Prakonong		7.05	10.05	1.20
*Ban Kluei		7.10	10.10	1.25
Klong Toi		7.15	10.15	1.30
Sala Deng		7.23	10.23	1.38
Bangkok	Arr.	7.30	10.30	1.45
BANGKOK—PAKNAM				
Stations.	Train No.	1	2	3
		a.m.	a.m.	p.m.
Bangkok	Dep.	7.45	10.45	2.00
Sala Deng		7.52	10.52	2.07
*Klong Toi		8.00	11.00	2.15
*Ban Kluei		8.05	11.05	2.20
Prakonong		8.10	11.10	2.25
Bangjak		8.15	11.15	2.30
Bangna		8.20	11.20	2.35
Samrong		8.25	11.25	2.40
Chorakhe		8.30	11.30	2.45
*Ban Nang		8.35	11.35	2.50
*Maha Wong		8.40	11.40	2.55
Paknam	Arr.	8.45	11.45	3.00

*Trains stop only at the request of passengers.
Trains may leave intermediate stations 5 minutes before the stated time.

Mesopotamia.**Nixon and Townshend.**

The "Statesman's" London Correspondent writes from London, June 1:—
Strong comments on the papers relating to Kut-el-Amara are published by the "Times," in the light of special information in the possession of that journal. "The papers," say the "Times," purport to throw new light on the question whether General Townshend warned Sir John Nixon of the risk of advancing on Baghdad with the weak forces at his disposal, and whether the Government were made aware of General Townshend's objections. The Government have taken an improper and misleading course in publishing papers about these questions. They should have told the whole story or nothing. The main issue is—not what General Townshend said to General Nixon—but who was ultimately responsible for the mad decision to advance on Baghdad and why the attempt to relieve Kut came to such a disastrous and costly failure? The Government's dossier is surely the most extraordinary set of papers ever issued to Parliament. It professes to relate to a certain appreciation written by General Townshend, the exact title of which is apparently not in dispute; but the amazing thing is that the Government imply that the identity of this vital document cannot now be established. The Government of India admit that the war diary of General Townshend's Division officially mentions the appreciation. They acknowledge that the document appears to have been addressed to the Chief Staff Officer, Force D (or in other words to Sir John Nixon's Division's Chief-of-Staff). They then say that they have no record of it, and that Sir John Nixon's Staff's diary makes no reference to it. They even unearth a short telegram from General Townshend and suggest that this is probably the appreciation. Our information, which is based on more substantial ground than gossip or hearsay evidence, is that General Townshend did write such an appreciation on October 3rd on board the steamer Mejdish. It discussed the whole position set forth in clear and forcible language the grave risks of an advance on Baghdad. It said: "In view of the weak forces (then) in Mesopotamia anyone advocating such a step would show, in my opinion, that he was utterly ignorant of the art of war." One copy of this document was sent to India, apparently in the hope that it might be shown to the Executive authorities; but we have reason to believe that as a matter of fact it was never shown at any time to any member of the Government. If the original reached Sir John Nixon and his staff, a point which is by no means clear in the published correspondence, then it never got beyond them.

But the document has ceased to be of vital importance to the main issue. Even General Townshend's short telegram of October 3rd, expresses his views in the clearest fashion. He urged that on all military grounds we should go no further than Kut, but that if the Government desired to occupy Baghdad the advance should be methodically undertaken by an Army Corps. Sir John Nixon says that General Townshend had his own division and that he sent certain reinforcements but that they were clearly inadequate; and General Townshend says that his British battalions were reduced to half their strength. General Townshend's telegram from Kut, dated April 7th, is one long protest against the advance he was compelled to make and represents an attitude from which he never varied. Having set forth the objections and pointed out the risks, "I considered," he says, "that my conscience was clear and was prepared to carry out any orders given me by Sir John Nixon."

It is perfectly plain in short why General Townshend made no further protest after October 3rd, but began the march which ended in retreat and disaster. Obviously the matter cannot rest here. We trust that Sir John Nixon will explain why he never transmitted General Townshend's views and why he decided to disregard them. Serious responsibility evidently attaches also to Sir Beauchamp Duff, the Commander-in-Chief in India, who may not have been acquainted with General Townshend's objections, but he knew the precise strength of his force and ought to have been aware of the risks involved.

The whole of the later stages of the Mesopotamian campaign require much fuller investigation than they have yet received. The final order to advance must have been given by the Home Government; and the grounds on which their unfortunate decision was based ought to be disclosed.

Lord Salisbury and Lord Middleton, who seem to have some inkling of the truth were well advised when they urged in the House of Lords that the private telegrams which passed between Mr. Chamberlain and Lord Hardinge should be published without reserve. Many other matters, such as the breakdown of the medical arrangements, the transport defects and the unaccountable failure to build light railways, should be explained. Above all the truth should be told about the repulse of General Aylmer at the Sinn position on March 8. Perhaps the most distressing feature of the whole story of Kut is that on that day the beleaguered town could have been relieved with ease if unpardonable mistakes had not been made. All that the public have been permitted to know is that, five days afterwards, General Aylmer was recalled, and that he has since been inexplicably rewarded with one of the biggest commands in India.

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Great War.**Baiburt Stormed.**

(REUTERS TELEGRAM.)

London, July 17.

The Russians stormed Baiburt, the most important strategic point in Armenia.

Russo-French Patrols Active.

(REUTERS TELEGRAM.)

London, July 17.

Paris Communiqué.—The Russo-French patrols are most active in Champagne. We captured on the left bank of the Meuse, a part of an enemy trench east of Hill 341. On the right of the Meuse, the French continued progress west of Fleury and took prisoners.

A German communiqué admits that the French entered German trenches southwest of Thiaumont.

The Western Line.

(HAVAS TELEGRAM.)

Paris, July 16.

Yesterday the British progressed on the whole front and took new positions. They took prisoners and brought down 4 Fokkers.

To-day we chased out the Germans who favoured by the fog penetrated into Biaches. We re-occupied all the positions. We made progress near the Meuse and round about Fleury. We brought down six aeroplanes.

The Russian Campaign.

(HAVAS TELEGRAM.)

Paris, July 16.

Petrograd.—In the Riga and Pripiet sectors we repulsed numerous fierce attacks and progressed to the north-east of Baranovitchi inflicting great loss.

We continued the favourable offensive west of Erzerum and have gone 15 verses from Baiburt. We routed the enemy in the direction of Erzindjan and south-west of Mush and took 350 prisoners.

Italians Capture Strong Positions.

(HAVAS TELEGRAM.)

Paris, July 16.

Rome.—We captured very strong positions in the Posina zone and progressed in Vofana zone and took prisoners and booty.

Professor Metchnikoff.

(HAVAS TELEGRAM.)

Paris, July 16.

Professor Metchnikoff is dead.

LOCAL AND GENERAL.

A SECOND-hand 80 horse power steam engine in very good condition is for sale vide advertisement.

THE s.s. "Katona" left Singapore on Saturday the 16th inst. and may be expected to arrive at the Borneo Company's wharf on Wednesday morning.

THERE is a public agitation in London for a reduction in the price of whisky, following upon the lowering of the strength to 25 per cent. under proof by order of the Liquor Control Board.

81 MOTOR cars were imported into Siam during the year 1915 (1915 16) of a total value of Tes. 226,727. Of these the largest number viz. 70 arrived from U. S. of America. Only 17 came from the United Kingdom.

Mesopotamian Muddle.

London, July 11.—In the House of Commons Mr. Yate asked who was responsible for the medical provision for the Mesopotamia expedition in the absence of Surg. General Balfour.

Mr. Chamberlain said that the deputy director of medical services carried out the routine duties, but the Indian Government reported that it dealt with no questions of policy.

**Court Circular.**

GRAND PALACE,
Monday, July 17th.

This afternoon at 3 o'clock, His Majesty the King drove in a motor car to pay a visit of inspection to the equipment establishment of the Intendant General's Department.

On arrival His Majesty was received by General His Excellency Chao Phya Bodindra Dejunjit, A. D. C., Minister of War; General His Royal Highness the Prince of Bismulok, A. D. C., Chief of the General Staff; Major-General His Excellency Phya Sriararaj Bhakdi, Intendant General and many other officers of the Department. Besides those named Field Marshal His Royal Highness Prince Bhanurangsi, A. D. C., Inspector General of all His Majesty's Forces; Lieutenant General His Royal Highness the Prince of Kambang Bejra, A. D. C., Inspector of His Majesty's Land Forces; Lieutenant General His Excellency Phya Siharaj Dejojaya, A. D. C., Under-Secretary of State for War, were also present.

The King inspected the various sections of work and was graciously pleased to address words of encouragement to the workmen and women of the establishment.

Refreshments were served, after which His Majesty took his departure.

Y. M. C. A. Club Hut Fund.

The Committee of the B. B. W. N. G. has decided to start a Fund to procure £300 for the purpose of erecting a Y. M. C. A. Club Hut.

These Huts are established at various camps in England and France, and the following account from one who has actually benefited by it will describe the excellent work that the Y. M. C. A. is doing:—"A large tent was provided with a bar at one end, where tea, coffee, chocolate, buns, bread-and-butter, jam, sardines, biscuits, potato meat, etc. were sold. The middle of the tent was partitioned off, and chairs, tables, writing materials and papers were provided, while at the other end hot baths with soap and towels could be had for a small charge. The reading and writing room was used on Sundays for services, and occasionally on week-days for lantern lectures and concerts. I can't attempt to tell you how this tent helped all the men in that camp in every way. I know that many others like myself have the highest possible opinion of the work of the Y. M. C. A."

Subscriptions to the above Fund will be gratefully received by Mrs. Lambert, British Club Rd., or Mrs. Lyle, British Legation. Acknowledgments will be made from time to time in the Press, unless otherwise requested.

Breaking the News.

London, July 12.—The German American propagandist Wiegand, in a despatch published in New York, permitted by the German censor, refers to "the thin anaemic line of Hindenberg, Leopold, and Linsingen and Bothmer, fighting against almost overwhelming odds of Russians well fed, while the German's food is lacking strengthening properties."

The development of the Russian attack in the direction of Kovel bears out Wiegand's description of a thin enemy line.

The Russian General Kaledine, commanding on the Styr, withdrew his troops a few miles till he was amply supplied with munitions. Then he struck a blow in conjunction with General Lesh farther north, from which the enemy, weakened by sending reinforcements southwards, to oppose Lechitzky, reeled and soon fled in disorder, burning villages and huge supplies of stores to screen the retreat. The passage of the Stokhod takes the Russians across the last natural obstacle to Kovel.

Hungarian Parliament.

London, July 12.—A telegram from Milan says there were violent scenes in the Hungarian Parliament, arising from opposition attacks on the incompetent Austrian commanders.

An American Enquiry.

Washington, July 12.—A resolution has been introduced into the Senate asking Mr. Lansing to report whether the Russo-Japanese alliance will close the door in China to American business interests.

The Submarine Trade.

Another on the Way.

Amsterdam, July 11.—The Vossische Zeitung says the Deutschland is one of several submarine cargo-boats building by a company formed by the North German Lloyd and the Deutsche Bank. Another, christened the Bremen, has left harbour.

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.")

Week's News on British Fronts.

Western Front.

London, July 15th.

On Saturday, July 8th the British right wing, supported by French artillery pushed its way into the woods of Bernafay and Trones, east of Montauban, and German counterattacks were destroyed by our artillery fire. During the afternoon and night there was much fighting in and around Ovillers. On Sunday 9th the struggle at Ovillers continued and two violent and futile German counterattacks were made on the British positions in the wood of Trones. On Monday the fight in the latter quarter developed into a serious battle; during the night on Sunday and Monday morning no less than five desperate attacks being made on the British line and on Monday afternoon of the 6th the enemy succeeded at the expense of heavy casualties in recovering a small part of the wood.

North-west of Contal Maison we took a small wood and a number of guns. Ground was gained east of Ovillers and Boisse, and a lodgment was made in the big wood of Mametz. Late that night after a heavy bombardment Contal Maison was carried by storm and a counterattack during the night was easily repulsed.

On Tuesday, July 11th the first stage of the British offensive may be said to have closed. On that day we carried the greater part of the wood of Mametz and recaptured nearly the whole of the wood of Trones.

After 10 days of ceaseless struggle the whole of the German first system of defence on a front of eight miles was in British hands. This contained what is usually called the first and intermediate positions, in depth of from 2,000 to 4,000 yards, and included five strongly fortified villages, many redoubts and numerous heavily wired and entrenched woods. Thus the British right wing have now nothing between them and the German second system of defence.

Many German guns have been destroyed or covered with debris, but among the booty taken in 10 days' fighting were 26 field guns, one naval gun and one heavy howitzer, while the German prisoners exceeded 7,500.

On Wednesday July 12th the Germans now heavily reinforced, made several desperate counter-attacks against the British position, principally in the woods of Mametz and Trones, and at Contal Maison, recovering some little ground, but by evening all had been regained and enormous numbers of German dead lay between our lines. Next day we consolidated our position, advancing our line in certain places, and there was heavy artillery bombardment all along our front.

On Friday July 14th at dawn the British attack on the second German position began, resulting in the enemy position being carried everywhere on a front of 4 miles, the villages of Bazentin-le-Petit and Longueval and the whole of the Trones wood were taken and Ovillers surrounded. German counterattacks later in the day were completely repulsed.

It should be clearly understood what is the British purpose. We do not like the German Chancellor, judge victories only by the maps. Our aim is not to recover so much territory or even to seize any particular place. It is unnecessary to push into the German front and compel retreat. All these things will doubtless come, but the main allied object is to defeat the existing German armies in the field and weaken them so thoroughly that they will no longer constitute an adequate defence of the German borders. Hence the Allies' success is not to be measured by the number of miles advanced, but by losses to the enemy and by the slow strain and disorganization becoming apparent throughout his entire front.

East Africa.

Once again East Africa is the only theatre outside Europe showing special activity. On July 7 General Smuts' left captured Tonga. It will be remembered that in the beginning of November this place was attacked by an Anglo-Indian force which entered the town but was obliged to fall back with considerable losses on the arrival of reinforcements. With the fall of Tonga the Allied cordon in East Africa has been drawn appreciably tighter.

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Battle in West.

London, July 11.—Narratives of the wounded in the great battle say that General Prowse was cheering his men on when a big shell dropped near by. Prowse fell. Several rushed to his assistance but although he was dying he cheered on his men. His last words were "keep up the name of the Stonewall Brigade."

Reuter's special in France describes the experiences of a battalion of the East Surreys, one of the battalions selected to start the attack on July 1. Each platoon was supplied with a football. The commanders kicked off. Officers and men dropped rapidly, but the dribbling continued. Two balls were actually kicked into the German trenches, when the bayonets got to work and the balls were recovered and will be preserved as trophies at the depot. One footballer slew seventeen Germans. Another handled his rifle to a comrade and polished off a German with his fists. He explained that the "bloke was too old to shoot and too thin to bayonet." The Surreys captured a machine gun which they promptly turned on the Germans, devastating an ammunition column.

London, July 11.—General Haig's communique continued says: We took prisoner 180 unwounded men, including a battalion commander at Contal Maison. The whole of this village is now in our hands. We took prisoner 296 unwounded men in Mametz wood.

One of our aeroplanes was shot down by a direct hit from an anti-aircraft gun and three other machines have not returned.

London, July 11.—General Haig reports our infantry has retaken Contal Maison by assault. A strong German counter-attack was repulsed with heavy loss. We stormed further east, several lines of trenches in Mametz Wood the greater part of which is now in our possession. We captured here a heavy howitzer and three field-guns.

Heavy fighting continues in Trones wood.

German Scheme of Defence.

The German defence system consisted of numerous continuous lines of fire, support, and reserve trenches, extending to various depths ranging from two to four thousand yards and included five strongly fortified villages, numerous heavily wired and entrenched woods, and a large number of immensely strong redoubts. The capture of each of these trenches represented an important operation. All are now in our hands. The German success in Trones Wood was of short duration as we recaptured nearly the whole wood. Apart from guns hidden in the debris, we captured in these operations 26 field guns, one naval gun, one heavy howitzer. The prisoners exceed 7,500.

London, July 11.—The correspondent of Reuter at headquarters says yesterday's British successes were most important. The storming of Contal Maison was performed with great gallantry. Our infantry pushed steadily through Mametz Wood where it is understood our position is most satisfactory.

Paris, July 11.—The afternoon communique says: On both sides of the Somme the night was calm. South of the Somme since July 9 we have taken prisoner 1,300.

The Verdun Region.

On the left (right) of the Meuse after an intense bombardment the Germans attacked from Fleury to east of le Chenoy and gained a footing in le Chenoy wood and east of Fumin, but were immediately ejected. Our barrage and machine-gun fire elsewhere broke attacks.

In Lorraine the enemy penetrated our first line elements east of Reillon on a front of two hundred metres.

A very fierce bombardment continues on the right of the Meuse and a moderate cannonade on the left of the Meuse.

Fourteen combats in the air in the Somme region on July 10 resulted in four enemy machines being badly hit by machine-guns and dived abruptly. A French pilot brought back his burning machine to our lines and landed safely. Our air squadrons dropped two hundred and twenty bombs on various stations on Monday night.

Paris, July 12.—The communique says: The Germans on the right bank of the Meuse, after several fruitless and costly attempts, gained a lodgment in Damplopp Battery and some elements in our line in Fumin Wood.

London, July 12.—French experts estimate that over thirty German divisions are opposed to the British. Two fresh divisions from Germany are attacking at Verdun.

The special correspondent of the Berliner Tageblatt at Bucharest is pessimistic as to the intentions of Rumania but does not believe however she will join the Allies until the Russians have crossed the Carpathians. He says the Allies are helping Rumania in the matter of munitions.

The Deutschland.

The French are now preparing for the second part of their offensive south of the Somme. They are in contact on a front of three and a half miles with the enemy's last line defending the Somme valley which is three-quarters of a mile wide, bordered with ponds. The Germans have strengthened this naturally powerful position by bridgeheads, therefore only reachable by operations demanding preparation. It seems likely these operations, says the French semi-offi-

News in Brief.

IN Saxony the restaurant keepers have been ordered not to accept orders for meat dishes until the guest has handed over his meat ticket.

By a Royal decree the sale of brandy has been prohibited throughout Norway. The import of brandy, wines, beer, &c., has also been prohibited.

UP to June 1 the condition of all crops in the United States was 9 per cent. lower than last year and two-thirds per cent. below the 10 years average.

IN a message to the Tsar the King of Montenegro says: "I greet my Russian brothers, avengers of my disasters, holding out my arms weakened by age and fatigue, to the Tsar Liberator and to Russia."

A TRAVELLER from Berlin who has arrived in Amsterdam states that placards have been posted on the walls there explaining that the Kaiser is not responsible for the war, which was forced on Germany.

HERR von Batocki, the new "food dictator" in Germany, is said to be considering the desirability of slaughtering the meat-eating animals of the Berlin Zoological Gardens to save their rations. The alternative is to send them to some neighbouring neutral country to be kept until the end of the war.

GENERAL Townshend says the Constantinople correspondent of the "Berliner Tageblatt" was delighted with his reception by the Turks when he arrived at Constantinople. Three English-speaking Turkish officers have been attached to him. Shortly after his arrival he was allowed to visit the American Ambassador.

THERE were 32 starters in the Bradford and County Working Association's annual Whitsun race, which was decided over a 32 miles course. The North of England team beat the South, and Private T. P. Fox, Army Pay Corps, York, finished first in 5 hours 23 min. The open scale handicap was won by Sergeant Smurthwaite, West Yorks Regiment.

IN the last six months of 1915 and the first six months of 1916 Russia bought more than 55 per cent. of her imports from Germany. She will now, of course, look to other sources of supply, and to take advantage of this demand the Canadian Minister of Trade and Commerce has arranged for a special Russian service and information department.

A MEETING of the German Housewives' Association in Hamburg resolved that women should help the Fatherland in three ways:—by better organization of the consumption of material needed for house-keeping; by encouraging home industries and avoiding the use of all foreign goods; and by the encouragement of communal organizations for the production of foodstuffs.

ACCORDING to information received in Bukarest it seems absolutely certain that Marshal von der Goltz was assassinated at Bagdad by Keim Bey, a staff officer. As soon as the crime was committed Keim Bey was killed by a German official. From the same source it is learned that General von Blum was also assassinated in Armenia after the taking of Trebizond by the Russian Army.

PROFESSOR Elie Metchnikoff, whose death is reported by Havas in to-day's telegrams was a well-known authority on longevity. One of his theories was that the duration of life may be prolonged by measures directed against intestinal putrefaction. He found that there was a widely spread popular belief in the advantage of diet consisting largely of products of soured milk and that there was a fair parallel between unusual longevity and such a diet. He had also suggested that if the normal specific longevity were attained by human beings, old and not degenerate individuals would lose the instinct for death and acquire an instinct for life, and that as they had fulfilled the normal cycle of life, they would accept death with the same relieved acquiescence that they now accept sleep.

cial, will be carried out in a few days.

The Arab Revolution.

London, July 2.—The Cairo journal Mokattam reports that Sayid Idries, a supporter of the Sheriff of Mecca, has captured the town port and garrison of Khafaja. The authorities at Constantinople are alarmed at the Arab revolution and have ordered an expedition to Hedjaz but the destruction of the railway prevents the despatch of troops and arms. It is understood that the Arabs from Medina to Damascus support the Sheriff.

Washington, July 12.—The Treasury Department have advised the State Department that the Deutschland is an unarmed freight carrier which cannot be converted for offense without extensive structural changes.

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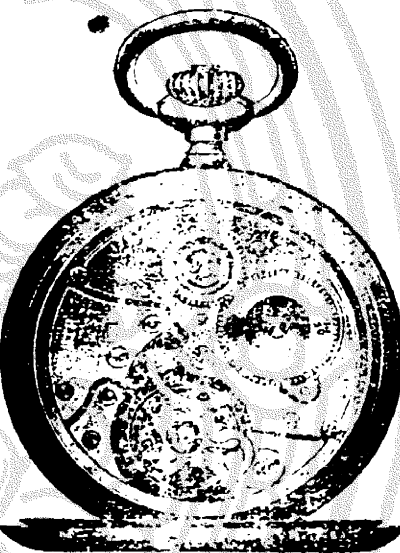
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Struggle for the Trone's Wood.

London, July 10.—General Haig reports particularly severe fighting in Trone's wood the southern end of which we captured on July 8, since when we have driven back several German counter-attacks in mass with heavy enemy losses.

Trone's wood, which is two miles east of Montauban, is triangular in shape and four hundred yards from north to south with a southern base of 6,400 yards. The Germans strongly defended it with trenches and wire entanglements. After a heavy bombardment we captured the southern end, subsequently extending our positions to the north, driving back a determined counter-attack with heavy enemy losses.

London, July 10.—The continuation of General Haig's message says: The enemy yesterday made two counter-attacks in Trone's wood which our artillery fire crushed. The enemy last evening bombarded Trone's Wood with all natures of armaments and then hurled two more strong attacks from the east and south-east. The first was completely repulsed, the second penetrated the southern end but was immediately ejected with heavy losses.

Later a fifth desperate attempt was made to drive us out but was also completely crushed by our fire. The enemy's casualties were severe.

We progressed at other places on the battlefield and captured north-west of Contal Maison three more guns and hundreds of prisoners. The enemy's artillery was active on the Flanders front especially at Hooge.

Our aviators yesterday carried out several successful bombing attacks against various detaining centres, ammunition depots and aerodromes. Numerous aerial combats occurred wherein several enemy machines were driven down and damaged.

London, July 10.—The capture of Bache is most important as it brings the French within a mile of Peronne, which is a vital point in the German communications north-south by the great trunk road and railways which have hitherto enabled them to hurry reinforcements to any threatened part of the line.

There was great aviation activity on the Somme. French aeroplanes attacked numerous German machines of which four were brought down in the enemy lines. A French squadron bombed the stations Ham and Palancourt.

London, July 11.—Sir Douglas Haig reports in the afternoon that after a sixth desperate attack, the Germans succeeded in entering Trone's Wood at

Italy's New Attack.

London, June 30.—The "Times" military correspondent, after an inspection of the Italian Front, praises General Cadorna's dispositions and troops. He does not regard the Austrians as routed. They lost a few prisoners, and have a series of strong positions behind them. They are contracting their front as they retire. He thinks they will even eventually fall back upon a position somewhat eastward of that from which the offensive started. They are still entitled to respect; their artillery is formidable, and their machine-guns numerous. Their defences are serious and on an ambitious plan. Very rapid action must not be expected on the Italian side. Some fairly useful Austrian troops are there in good condition, well-clothed, and fed. The Italian army is strong in numbers, in fine health, and excellent spirits.

Dumbfounding the Austrians.
The "Corriere della Sera" publishes a letter from the Asiago sector, describing the pursuit of the retreating Austrians. Squadrons of cavalry preceded by sixteen cyclists, were sent out in a high mountainous region. The General previously addressed them saying: "To-morrow the whole world will be surprised by this news, which appears fantastic; but you will show it to be true." Prisoners stated that hearing galloping they had jocularly remarked: "The Italian cavalry is coming," and were dumbfounded when it really came. The expedition was brilliantly successful, and was followed immediately by an infantry advance.

the expense of the heaviest casualties. Fighting in the wood continues.

Further west we gained a lodgment in Mametz Wood, where the enemy's defence has hitherto resisted our efforts.

Paris, July 11.—The communique says that south of the Somme we progressed in the region of Biaches and Barleux, carrying a small fort and capturing a hundred prisoners. A brilliant attack south of Biaches resulted in the capture of a strongly held hill dominating the river, and Maisonette farm situated on its summit.

Paris, July 11.—A semi-official lays stress on the great tactical importance of the capture of hill 97, south-east of Biaches. It places the French in possession of the last hill before the Somme and is less than a mile from the Peronne-Chaulnes line. It dominates the Somme valley and moreover enables the French to see everything that happens in Peronne.

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The Last of the Hindenburg?

A member of the crew of the Malaya, one of the latest super-Dreadnoughts, who has just landed at an East Coast port with many trophies of the North Sea battle tied in his handkerchief, has given a "Daily Express" correspondent a remarkably graphic story of the fight, dealing with a phase of the battle of which not much has hitherto been said.

He is so emphatic about the sinking of the great German super-Dreadnought Hindenburg, that it is impossible further to doubt that the redoubtable flag-ship of the German High Sea Fleet now lies a battered mass at the bottom of the sea.

First, he untied his precious bundle with the greatest pride imaginable, and revealed distorted masses of steel.

"This," he declared, holding up a piece of steel about an inch thick, and weighing probably about 5 lb., "is a piece of a German 14-inch shell. It struck one of our 6-inch guns and killed every one in the battery. Five of the men were never seen again. This is all that was left of the gun," holding up a brass top of a voice pipe and the bent ring of a telescope sight.

An Hour of Daylight.
The narrator of the story was quite jubilant over the fight, which he described as follows:—

"We were one of the four fast battleships attached to the Battle Cruiser Squadron, having been detached from the Grand Fleet because of our superior speed. After the battleships and cruisers had practically withdrawn from action, we (the four battleships) engaged the whole section of the German fleet for an hour and a half in a fierce running fight. If we had another hour of daylight we would have sunk the lot.

"After darkness had fallen our destroyers made seven torpedo attacks, and I myself saw the Hindenburg and another large enemy warship heel over and sink. We concentrated our fire on the great flagship of the commander-in-chief all the time daylight lasted, and got salvo after salvo into her sides. She was much battered by nightfall, and then the torpedoes of the destroyers finished her off."

Denied the Plating.
"You are quite sure it was the Hindenburg?" I ventured to ask. "I am absolutely certain," he replied with emphasis, adding: "We had been firing at her for an hour and a half and I knew every line of her. When Admiral Jellicoe's despatch is published that will confirm what I say, and you will find that there are a good many others too."

"Was your ship much damaged?" I asked.

"Naturally we suffered a good deal, but we got back to port all right. A 14-inch shell hit the turret in which I was, and exploded. The only damage

News from Dutch Sources.

The "Vossische Zeitung" is pessimistic both as regards the quantity and quality of this year's grain harvest in Germany.

The "Nieuwe Rotterdamse Courant" states that the present position of the Central Powers is critical.

The Dutch Second Chamber has passed regulations for the control of foodstuffs, raw material and fuel. The Government will take control of all supplies and be responsible for their distribution. Three quarters of the cost of legislation will be borne by the Government and one quarter by the Municipalities. Heavy punishments will be inflicted for any evasion of these laws.

The Belgian Government has officially denied that it has any plans for annexing any parts of the coast of Holland.

Rumania.

The present year's Rumanian harvest of grain has been bought up by the Allies, and arrangements are in hand for the purchase of next year's crop by them.

According to a Bucharest telegram a Royal Council was held at Sinair Castle. The King presided and M. Bratianu, the Chief of the General Staff and several ex-Premiers delivered speeches. The result of the deliberations is kept secret but afterwards King Ferdinand gave an audience to the leaders of the Rumanian Conservative Party, Messieurs Carp and Marghiloman, who subsequently declared that Rumania would not depart from her neutral attitude. On Sunday a demonstration took place in front of the Russian Embassy at Bucharest, the crowd vociferously cheering for the conquerors in Bukovina. M. Take Jonescu addressing the demonstration said it was high time that Rumania intervened in the war on the side of the Allies.

it did was to put the 'bogeys' (the ammunition hoisting gear) out of action, and we had to load by hand afterwards. The shell made a dent in the side of the armour plating, and then glided overboard.

"Victory."

The narrator's only disappointment was that they did not have another hour of daylight in order to "finish off the Germans," because, as he said, "We were doing so well that I am sure we should have been able to account for the lot after the Grand Fleet had come up. It was only the light that saved them, but they will think twice before they want to face the guns of the British Fleet again."

"It was not quite the 'victory' they claim, then?" "Victory," he said, with contempt: "another hour of daylight would have seen the whole lot at the bottom."

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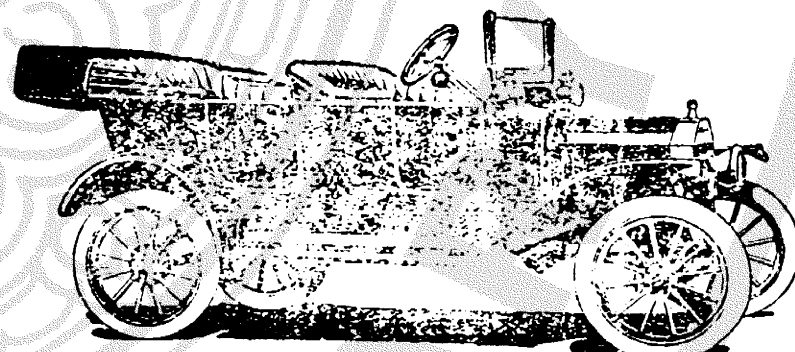
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Items of Interest.

London, July 10.—No casualties or damage resulted from yesterday's raids.

Amsterdam, July 11.—Britain is negotiating with the Dutch Overseas Trust for restriction in the export of textiles.

London, July 10.—An Italian official says that heavy enemy attacks north west of Gorizia have been driven back with heavy losses.

London, July 10.—General Smuts reports that Tanga was occupied on July 7. The enemy made slight resistance and evacuated the town after destroying the waterworks.

It is stated that nearly two hundred British merchantmen which have been idle in Kronstadt and other ports since the beginning of the war, have escaped from the Baltic since the Jutland battle.

Washington, July 14.—Mr. Stone, president of the Foreign Relation Committee of the Senate, referring to the resolutions of the Paris Conference, declared that unless America were considered by the European nations in any industrial alliance, it would be necessary to adopt a definite defensive policy.

London, July 10.—In the House of Commons Mr. Bonar Law said an Imperial Conference would be held as soon as it seems desirable to the Imperial Government and the Dominions. The Imperial and Dominion Governments were seriously considering the question of an Imperial Council but a statement was impossible at present.

London, July 10.—In the House of Commons Lord Cecil said that the military situation in Southwest Persia prevented at present any further development of the Mohammedan-Khoramabad railway scheme. When the local situation improved further steps would be taken after consultation with the Government of India.

Johannesburg, July 10.—The Bishop of Pretoria writing of his half year's visit to the troops in German East Africa eulogises the work of the Indian railway corps in constructing the railway to Moshi and said "goodness knows how we should have fared without it." He also pays a high tribute to the Indian troops.

Russian Drive.

Petrograd, July 12.—The communique says: Fighting on the Stockhod continues. The Russians northwest of Kimpolung repulsed large enemy forces.

The Russian are pressing on in the Caucasus.

Petrograd, July 12.—The communique says that fighting continues in the Stockhod region. The enemy is most desperate. His aeroplanes are flying behind our lines dropping numerous bombs and using machine guns.

The situation elsewhere is unchanged. Petrograd, July 12.—A telegram from Copenhagen says the Russians in the Baltic have captured the German steamers Lisabon and Wornas of five thousand and nine thousand tons respectively.

Italian Pressure.

Recall of Eastern Reinforcements.

Rome, July 12.—The communique reports that in consequence of Italian pressure in the Trentino the Austrians have been obliged to recall troops already on their way to the east.

London, July 11.—Mr. Montagu is appointed a permanent member of the War Committee.

London, July 10.—In the House of Commons Lord R. Cecil said the German note denied that the prisoners at Ruhleben were insufficiently fed and rejected a proposal for exchange of prisoners, and made a further proposal. The Imperial Government was considering its reply and was meanwhile further inquiring into conditions at Ruhleben.

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(Continued from Yesterday)

June 20. The enemy crossed the Sereth while fighting with our rearguards between the Pruth and the Dniester, on the Strypa, and in the district of Radstivlov, it was relatively calm yesterday.

In successful defensive combats southeast and northeast of Lokatschi, the Austro-Hungarian troops, up to the present, captured 1,300 Russians, 1 gun and 3 machine guns. In the district of Kisella, the attacks of the allied troops are progressing in tenacious fighting. Between Sokol and Kolki, the enemy repeated their strong attacks but were repulsed. Near Gruziatin, where the enemy made their fourth attempt to enter the Austro-Hungarian lines, bitter fighting is still continuing.

Telegraph Lines.

The Post and Telegraph Department reports that Puket line is interrupted between Trang and Paket. Krad line is in order as far as Shwexnereso, Chingmai line is good as far as Lompang. Other lines are in order.

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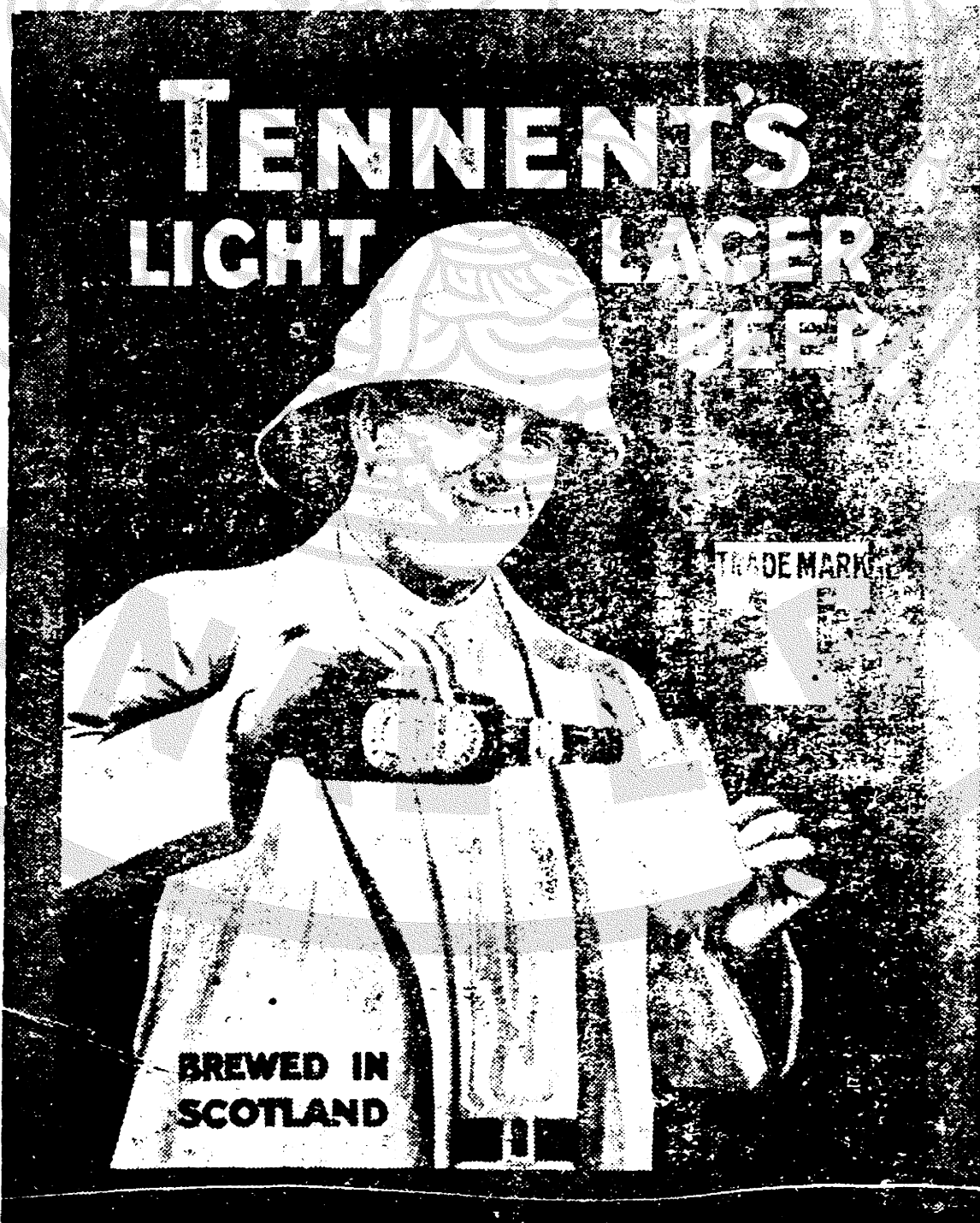
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