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Aug.	A.M.			
	H.	W.	Ft. & in.	L. W. (Approx.)
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	8	00	12 6	...
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 6-0
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	...
28	9	00	11 8	1-0 7-6
29	10	00	11 6	1-0 7-0
30	11	00	11 11	4-5 7-0
31	...	...	...	5-6 7-0

Aug.	P.M.			
	H.	W.	Ft. & in.	L. W. (Approx.)
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 1	...
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 6-0
10	8	00	14 8	1-2 7-0
11	8	00	14 8	2-3 7-0
12	9	00	11 6	2-3 7-0
13	9	00	11 2	...
14	9	00	11 8	...
15	9	00	13 6	...
16	10	00	13 6	...
17	1	00	14 0	...
18	2	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 2	1-2 6-0
25	8	00	14 0	1-2 6-0
26	8	00	13 10	1-2 6-0
27	8	00	13 6	1-2 7-0
28	8	00	13 1	2-0 7-0
29	8	00	13 1	...
30	8	00	13 8	...
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.

Enemy Straits

Amsterdam, Aug. 14.—The meeting at German headquarters includes the Kaiser, the Emperor Karl, the Bulgarian Crown Prince, members of the Polish Regency Council, leading German Ministers and army leaders. It is expected that the Polish question will be settled; also the question regarding Austro-Bulgarian co-operation on the western front.

Amsterdam, Aug. 15.—Commenting on the Emperor Karl's visit to the main headquarters, Vorwaerts dwells on the futility of the deliberations aimed at the solution of the eastern problems, unless an overwhelming German victory in the west is obtainable, on which matter it expresses doubt. The paper utters a warning against manufacturing kingdoms and states which might react against the creators and declares that the miserable Brost-Litovsk peace is not worth the bones of a single German soldier.

London, Aug. 15.—An eloquent testimony to the real feeling in Germany is afforded by the increasing number of labourer articles condemning pessimism, especially in the Rhine provinces. The papers complain that the people are openly declaring that Germany is losing the war.

Signs of the Times.

Paris, Aug. 15.—Not only have Germany's difficulties and defeats in the west to be considered, but also her new trouble which is breaking out in Russia, where the Bolsheviks are tottering. The Ukraine is in revolt, German plans are shattered, and a great uneasiness is showing itself through the German press, which complains that Germany cannot longer make certain of victory. It is disclosed that British, French and Japanese troops have now landed at Vladivostok.

Amsterdam, Aug. 15.—A deputation representing 200,000 Austrians State employees has demanded a war bonus of fifty per cent. owing to the heavy rains damaging the crops.

Amsterdam, Aug. 15.—Berlin official: The Kaiser has approved the Prussian Upper House's condemnation of Prince Lichnowsky, who is therefore deprived of membership.

Amsterdam, Aug. 15.—The Weser-Zeitung states authoritatively that Vice-Admiral Behne is succeeding von Capelle as State Secretary of the Admiralty.

Italian Activity.

Rome, Aug. 10.—Eight Italian aeroplanes commanded by Gabriele d'Annunzio, flew over Vienna today and dropped manifestoes. All returned.

A later message reports that one aeroplane was forced to land near Vienna owing to engine trouble.

London, Aug. 9.—British Indian official: Our divisions carried out eight successful simultaneous raids between Asiago and Canova. We inflicted heavy casualties and took prisoner 315, six machine-guns and three trench mortars. Our casualties were light. The air force destroyed seven hostile machines. One of ours is missing.

London, Aug. 9.—A French Eastern communiqué says: In Albania, the Austrians yesterday evening attacked against our new front, but were everywhere repulsed. We took 130 prisoners.

London, Aug. 9.—Italian Official: We repulsed two attacks on Colledara. One ship's bombs military establishments at Pola, on the Venetian plains, and in the Trentino.

London, Aug. 10.—The Anglo-Italian air activities since Aug. 7 include the bombardment of military works at Durazzo twice, also Cattaro, Santonno di Livenza and Pola. Fires were created at Pola and Durazzo visible fifty miles distant.

Allied Help.

Tokyo, Aug. 9.—The Premier of Japan, Marquis Terauchi, in an interview said that conditions might arise under which it would be necessary for the Allies to despatch additional troops to Siberia. The country must be prepared for an emergency.

Washington, Aug. 9.—The War Secretary states that owing to the smallness of the first body of troops despatched, the proposal that the Japanese chief of staff should lead the Allied forces in Siberia has been abandoned, but probably a Japanese officer will lead the expedition. It is expected that the Japanese contingent will be somewhat larger than the American.

New York, Aug. 10.—The Associated Press correspondent at Washington says that the Japanese General Kiketo Omi will be the ranking (?) officer of the Allied Expedition to Siberia.

Washington:—General March announces that General Graves commands the American troops in Siberia the nucleus of which will be two regiments of Philippine troops, supplemented later by troops from the United States. March says that no commander of the allied forces has yet been selected.



Notice.

NOTICE is hereby given that Damrong Satit Bridge over Klong Sapan Han in Charoen Krung Road will be closed to traffic from the 21st August 1918 owing to repairs and will remain closed to traffic until the repairs are completed.

Local Sanitary Department.

17th August 1918.

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London, Aug. 9.—An American official message says: We gained ground northward of the Vesle.

London, Aug. 9.—Reuter's correspondent at American headquarters (Aug. 9) describing the fighting in the Vesle valley, says that the enemy had most methodically thought out holding the heights beyond the Vesle. Once across the our troubles perceptibly increased. The enemy withdrew the bulk of his automatics to the wooded slopes, leaving some in the corn, where they could enfilade our advance from the river. Many of these were silenced by individual deeds of daring. When the outposts were disposed of them the bridgehead was formed and more troops got over. We are now lying on the hillside, practically in the open. The German gunners are watching every movement from a belt of trees above their invisible machine guns and have a clear field of fire. Our gunners are shelling theirs with gas, but hitherto without sensibly keeping down their fire. The Americans were first across the river, their engineers constructing trestle bridges from material cut down under fire.

A significant and universal theme of letters captured on prisoners is the weakness of their companies, suggesting a reason for the weakening German resistance which, if confirmed, would countenance adventurous methods. In the Americans General Petain has a very fine instrument for the adventure.

A prisoner, asked why he did not surrender sooner, replied: "The Americans are madmen. We dare not surrender sooner."

From Braime to beyond Bezoches, the Rheims-Soissons road runs to north of the river and railway. Troops that crossed this sector rushed to the advance as far as this highway and defeated an enemy counter-attack, twice repeated.

Silver Price Fixed.

London, Aug. 13.—A Treasury Order fixes the maximum price of silver bullion sold in the United Kingdom at forty-eight and thirteen sixteenth pence per standard ounce. Shanghai exchange is above parity, indicating that the Chinese demand is likely to increase. It is believed that some supplies have been secured from San Francisco, but insufficient to meet requirements.

London, Aug. 14.—Silver is unchanged as fixed by Government at the maximum price.

The Czech-Slavs.

Mr. Balfour, on behalf of the British Government, has recognized the Czech-Slovak National Council in Paris as the supreme organ of the Czech-Slovak movement in Allied countries. The Czech-Slovak Army, which is being formed, will be regarded as an Allied force. In civil matters concerning Czech-Slovakia, the Council will have the same rights as the Polish National Committee enjoys in relation to Poles. Our Government have thus followed France and Italy in definitely recognizing the Austrian Slavs as a separate nation, like the Poles, who must be freed from German and Austrian rule. As the tension between Germans and Slavs in Austria has reached such a height that German troops have been sent into Austria to preserve order, the Allied declaration on behalf of the Czech-Slovaks is timely, and may be expected to increase Austria's domestic troubles. Furthermore, it shows that the Allies have abandoned once for all the mischievous delusion that a separate peace could be made with the Hapsburg, who is now the humble servant of the Hohenzollerns.

Luxury Taxes.

London, Aug. 13.—The Luxury Tax Committee's report is issued. It recommends a duty of 2d in the shilling on the purchase price of the following: Jewellery, furrier's goods, perfumes, pictures, motor cars, grand pianos, player pianos, gramophones, liquors, etc., meals if exceeding breakfast 3s, lunch 10s, dinner 5s, also taxes leviable on clothing and tobacco above a fixed minimum.

British (Siam) War Aid Association

The Association has received two urgent appeals for funds, as described below, and will gladly receive and forward the donations of any one wishing to subscribe.

Bureau de secours aux prisonniers de guerre. British section.

This appeal, forwarded to the Association by H. E. the British Minister, has been received from Lord Acton, of the British Legation at Bern, who strongly recommends it.

The "Bureau de Secours" is established at Bern. It gets into touch as soon as possible with newly captured British prisoners in Germany, and sends fresh bread and biscuits to them at a time when food is urgently needed.

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Farm Colony.

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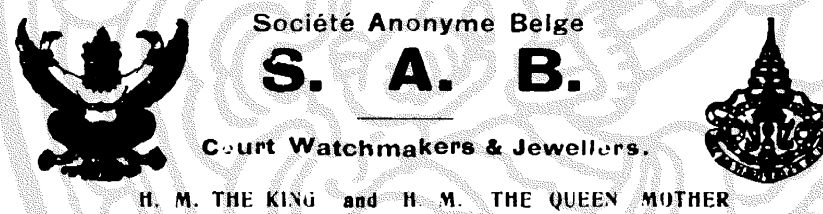
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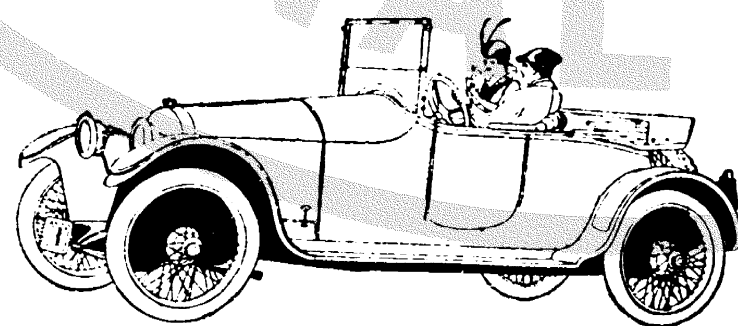


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GERMANY'S DISCONTENTED ALLIES.

The continued success of the Allies must cause very considerable anxiety to the German Government not only from a military point of view but from the effect that these successes are likely to have on her allies. As we pointed out some time ago the position in Bulgaria is very grave from a German standpoint for not only is there intense discontent in the Bulgarian army because of underfeeding but the whole population is tired of an alliance that has brought only evil in its train. Threatening demonstrations have taken place before the German Legation at Sofia while at Constantinople the German Legation has had to demand a special guard. The truth is that Germany's allies are war-weary however much Germany may strive to hide the fact and it is safe to say that before very long interesting events are likely to occur especially in Bulgaria.

Germany is also experiencing even more serious trouble from her greatest ally: Austria-Hungary. It is an open secret that only by the application of German pressure has Austria remained in the war; in other words Austria is being coerced to fight. The conditions in that unhappy country are those that make for revolution. It was stated lately that Austrian workmen who are dying of starvation sent delegates to a convention at Vienna at which was put forth the piteous plight of the workers. The death-rate is enormous and epidemics are wasting the land. One delegate from Moravia made the statement that there is absolutely no coal for the coming winter. The delegates from Innsbruck declared that in the face of the powerlessness of the Government to render assistance the workers ought to obtain by themselves the means to relieve their hunger. The Austrian masses are clamouring for bread and Germany cannot expect to enjoy these masses for long. Hunger leads to madness and when in that condition men stop at nothing.

There is thus the prospect that goaded on by their sufferings Austria-Hungary and Bulgaria may secede from Germany and if this happens Turkey is almost certain to do the same. Should such secession occur Germany's plight would be perilous indeed. As it is she is confronted by an array of Powers whose strength is daily increasing and should her Allies withdraw it is certain to have an effect on those states which, owing to their fear of the dire consequences in the event of their entering the war owing to their nearness to Germany, have remained neutral—such effect tending more completely to isolate Germany.

By this time Germany should know that her cause is lost and that by continuing the struggle she is only prolonging the suffering of the world and especially that of her own children to no purpose. She drags out the strife in the forlorn hope that some untoward event will occur to render her assistance but she should remember the longer she prolongs the war the heavier will be the final reckoning demanded of her.

LOCAL AND GENERAL.

MR. Otto Adler arrived from Hongkong by the s.s. *Luna* yesterday.

THE Dutch oil steamer *Yutrik* arrived last evening from Bali Papan.

THE s.s. *Mata Hari*, weather permitting, will sail for Singapore on 25th August.

MR. Manfredi who has been suffering from fever for the last fifteen days is now much better under the treatment of Dr. Poix.

LATEST ADVICE.—The International Store have received a new consignment of first class wines.

The second half of the serial "Greed" will be screened at the Sathorn Picture Palace to-night.

Kiam Hoa Heng and Co., Ltd. expect to receive a shipment of Buick cars shortly.

THE Post and Telegraph Department reports that Nongkhai line is imperfectly working between Konkan and Bangkok. Other lines are all right.

MRS. C. M. La Salle, Miss Ootenat and Messrs. C. Todd, A. H. Hale, R. Bainbridge and H. Elsal arrived from Singapore yesterday by the s.s. *Katong*.

THE s.s. *Katong* will leave from the Borneo Company's wharf 4 p.m. sharp, on Friday the 23rd inst. and should arrive in Singapore on Tuesday morning.

MR. C. Todd, formerly on the staff of Messrs. Whiteaway, Laidlaw and Co. is in town for a few days. He is going to England to join up in the near future.

It is stated that there are working in China in the various Roman Catholic Missions 1,437 European priests and 828 Chinese priests while the Chinese Catholic Christians number 1,790,000.

EACH soldier with the American Forces is to have a daily ration of four tenths of an ounce of smoking tobacco and 10 cigarette papers, or, as an alternative, four really made cigarettes, or, if preferred, four tenths of an ounce of chewing tobacco.

WHAT is claimed to be the finest dropshaped pearl yet raised in Australian waters was recently found on the north-west coast of Western Australia. It weighs 100 grains, is the size of a sparrow's egg, and has been named "Star of the West." It is remarkable for its perfect shape and colouring.

WE have learned, says the Amsterdam Handelsblad, that preparations are already being made in Germany for the establishment of a Pan-German news organization over the entire world, and that one of the first steps has been the foundation of the "National Dutch News Agency" at The Hague.

THE new business premises of Messrs. Whiteaway, Laidlaw and Co. are rapidly nearing completion. Work has now begun on the top floor and once the roof is on it will not be long before the whole edifice is completed. The Company's expert, Mr. Spiers, has been in town some weeks superintending the making of the fittings to be put in to the new store.

ACCORDING to the Danish Politiken, in the plans of the German General Staff, the crushing of the Allied armies only figures as the first stage. As soon as the struggle in France was ended, Germany would devote all her forces to the submarine war and to expeditions in the East. She would increase her food resources and put herself in a position to keep up a maritime war which might be drawn out for years.

IT is reported from Austrian war press quarters that during the last Italian attack on Pola a new type of warship was used—a kind of sea tank called grillo. Its length is about 40 feet and breadth 6 1/2 feet. The boat has electric motor and makes almost no sound. The most important feature is the endless rotatory chain around the vessel. The chain is fitted with barbs around barbs and when the vessel approaches the harbour the barbs catch nets or other obstacles and the sea tank is drawn along similarly to a land tank. The vessel is armed with two torpedoes.

IN an article in Blackwood's Magazine on Five Months with the German Kaiser, Mr. F. G. Trayer writes: "We learnt from these passengers that the Wolf was primarily a mine-layer, and that she had laid mines at Cape Town, Bombay, Colombo, and off the Australian and New Zealand coasts. She had sowed her last crop of mines, 110 in number, off the approaches to Singapore, before she proceeded to the Indian Ocean to lie in wait for the Hittich. Altogether she had sown 500 mines."

Football.

A large number of people who went to the Suan Kularb grounds to witness the football match yesterday between the 4th Steam Launch Section and the Palace Guards were disappointed as the game did not come off owing to the latter team failing to put in an appearance. It will be interesting to know who is responsible for the arrangement of these matches. The gate money collected will be contributed towards the Red Cross Society of Siam.

To-day Central Teachers will give a Sport's Club team a practice game which ought to prove very interesting.

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THE Great War.

The French Front.

(REUTERS TELEGRAM.)
London, Aug. 21.

The French Communiqué of August 19 says:—There was violent artillery action during the night north and south of the Avre. We took four hundred prisoners yesterday west of Roye.

At six o'clock yesterday evening between the Oise and the Aisne our troops rectified our front on a stretch of about fifteen kilometres between South Carlepont and Fontenoy reaching on the whole line an average advance of two kilometres. We occupied the southern part of Audignicourt and Raine, capturing Mouviengorge.

The French Communiqué says:—Between the Matz and the Oise we continued our progress. We captured Fesnières, notwithstanding desperate resistance and reached the western outskirts of Lassigny. Farther south we succeeded in debouching from Thiescourt Woods. On our right we captured Pimprez and pushed as far as the southern outskirts of Dreslincourt. North of the Aisne completing our success between Carlepont and Fontenoy we captured the village of Morsain. The number of prisoners taken by us in the region since yesterday reaches 2,200.

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Paris, Aug. 21.

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The British Front.

(Havas Telegram.)
Paris, Aug. 21.

The British continue to advance.

They penetrated Merville and advanced the lines between Vieux Berquin and Ostersteene capturing more than 600 prisoners.

Havas Wires from Singapore.

"Without Undue Haste."

Paris, Aug. 19.

In consequence of our steady advances on Roye, the German artillery has slackened again, suggesting the transference of the batteries to the rearward. The enemy's infantry resistance appears to be focussed on the strongpoints of Chaulnes, Roye, Lassigny, and a few other strongholds, which could be stormed at any time. This is what the Germans desire, but, instead of our exposing our men, these redoubts are literally deluged with shells, and the Allies are striking only at well-defined points and are attaining their objectives one after the other, without undue haste. Signs of uneasiness are being given by the enemy's making raids on the British and French fronts to find out what their adversaries are doing.

Germany's Man Power.

The reports that Austria has been required to place from ten to fifteen Divisions at the disposal of the German Staff show how low the German reserves and supply of man-power have fallen.

The French Ace.

The French Lieutenant Fonck brought down three enemy planes on Wednesday, bringing the total number of hostile aircraft destroyed by him up to sixty.

Washington, Aug. 15.—The American Provost Marshal has ordered the registration of all youths reaching twenty-one since June 5. This is expected to add 150,000 to the September draft.

The Recent Rioting in Shanghai.

A few days ago we published an account of serious rioting at Shanghai between Japanese and the Chinese police in the employ of the Municipal Council. The following extract from the *China Press* gives further particulars:—

Captain-Superintendent of Police K. J. McEuen will express regret for the breach of discipline by Chinese members of the department and place the blame for the recent trouble in Hongkew on Japanese in a report to the Shanghai Municipal Council to be submitted in a few days, it was learned unofficially. The report will be referred to the Watch Committee by the Council but no action is anticipated until September as Councilor White-Cooper is ill and Councilor White is not in Shanghai. Both are members of the watch committee. The Council is now in summer recess and the next regular meeting is scheduled for September 11.

Before the next meeting of the Council the Consul-General of Japan will address a communication to the body which will put forth the requests of the Japanese community.

The investigation made by the police is the most exhaustive in Shanghai police annals. Over 200 statements have been taken, many of them being contradictory. The Watch Committee will carefully consider the evidence, act on the recommendations of the Captain-Superintendent of Police and will subsequently suggest the proper action to be taken by the Municipal Council.

Members of the Council will not discuss the affair, stating that they are not at liberty to talk until the papers come before them through official channels. They did admit that no representatives or committees of the Japanese community had made them official demands as yet.

The police investigation, which has been under way during the past three weeks, has been in charge of the Deputy-Superintendent, Major A. H. Hilton-Johnson, and since his departure from Shanghai Inspector S. C. Young of the Gordon Road Station and Detective Inspector P. W. Reeves of Hongkew have been detailed to complete the work.

The evidence taken has been submitted to Captain-Superintendent McEuen and his recommendations to the Council will probably be made Thursday or Friday.

The evidence, although much of it is contradictory, coincides closely with the press accounts of the trouble, pointing out that the affair was precipitated by Japanese sailors who assaulted the proprietor of a jewelry store and were subsequently arrested. Attacks on Chinese policemen by Japanese civilians without cause subsequently followed and the Friday night clash between Japanese and Chinese police brought the trouble to a close, although the police took every precaution in anticipation of further trouble.

Yesterday Chinese police were detailed for patrol duty in the so-called "restricted area" for the first time since the start of the trouble. Chinese policemen walked beats in the vicinity of Woosung and Boone Roads until seven o'clock last night when Sikhs were detailed. The Chinese police will soon be restored to night duty, according to police officials.

Germans Yielding.

London, Aug. 15.—The general military situation remains highly interesting. The village of Lassigny is still in the hands of the enemy but the French now possess the high ground on the ridge to the south. They hold the whole of the massif, and are at present working down the far side.

24,000 prisoners have been taken by the British Fourth and the French First and Third armies and between 600 and 700 guns, of which 450 have been taken by the British.

The German losses since August 8 have been greater, in proportion with the Allies' losses, than in any previous battle. Their dead especially exceed enormously our dead. Indeed the total of the Allies' casualties is probably less than the prisoners whom we have taken.

There is every indication that the enemy intends to fight approximately on the line which he has now reached, except in the south, where the French possession of Lassigny massif will compel him to retire, probably behind the Divette river, a small tributary of the Oise. It will be advantageous for the Allies if the enemy remains in his present lines, where he is most uncomfortable, and is suffering heavy losses.

The German retirement in the Lys sector has been on a front of nine miles, to a maximum depth of two miles. Apparently their intention is to evacuate the whole of this salient in their own time. They have also started to withdraw from the Serre salient, north of Albert, possibly to behind the Ancre, a depth of three miles.

These withdrawals strengthen the impression that the enemy has abandoned the idea of an offensive in the north.

Between the Oise and the Ancre the Germans have thrown in 35 divisions, including 15 from the reserve, of which 11 belong to Prince Rupprecht's armies. Prince Rupprecht now holds the front only from the sea to Albert. Von Boehm commands the group of armies between Albert and Sisson. He is intimately acquainted with this part of the old Somme battle area.

London, Aug. 15.—The Press Bureau says that His Majesty the King has sent a letter to Field Marshal Haig:—I must warmly congratulate you and your troops on the happy results of the operations of the past week. I return home with a feeling of profound admiration for our armies, convinced that in union with the Allies we shall with God's help secure a victorious peace, worthy of the noble sacrifices made—a peace which must be a surer to coming generations against suffering such as the present world has endured.

Paris, Aug. 15.—The figures set taken from official reports on the captures made since July 18, the date of Marshal Foch's counter blow in the Marne salient, up to Aug. 13, are: 70,000 prisoners and 700 guns. This is the greatest total of captures made by the Allies during the war in such a short period.

London, Aug. 15.—Field Marshal Haig reports:—Severe local fighting took place on the night of Aug. 14 to our advantage, eastward of Balmécourt. Our line was advanced slightly in this neighbourhood, and a British patrol rushed a post to the north of Albert. Between Albert and the Ayette patrols were active all night long, and maintained close touch with the enemy. Further progress was made at a number of points, and prisoners and machine-guns taken. We repulsed raiders at night time to the south-east of Arras and near Merville. The enemy's artillery was active eastward of Richey and in the Scherpenberg sector. The total taken prisoner by the British fourth army since the morning of Aug. 8 is now 21,814, and by the French first army 8,500, giving a total of 30,314 on the Montdidier-Albert front.

Paris, August 15.—West of Bapaume, following his withdrawal at Houthierne on the British front, the enemy has evacuated other advanced positions in the neighbourhood.

London, August 14.—Field Marshal Haig reports:—There was local fighting in the neighbourhood of Parvillers. We progressed, taking prisoners, following his recent withdrawals in the Houthierne sector, the enemy evacuated his forward positions at Beaumont Hamel, Serre, Puisieux, Autmont and Buequoy. Our patrols are advancing, keeping contact with the enemy, and have gained ground around these villages, taking prisoners.

London, August 14.—Routier's correspondent at French headquarters, wiring at 2 p.m. today, says: In Thiescourt massif the two key points for the French are Saint Claude and L'Ecouvillon farms, the capture of which General Humbert deemed essential, while the Germans were determined to retain them in order to menace General Humbert's right. Consequently there was fierce fighting on the whole line. Our progress was very difficult north of Thury, where the enemy was installed in our 1914 trenches. We did not gain ground.

If the Germans fall back among the hills on the mass if they will probably retire first to the old French line and then to their former front at Plémont.

With the capture of Saint Claude and L'Ecouvillon farms the danger of a counter-attack from Thiescourt massif is removed. Whether, after a pause for rest, another battle begins for the possession of the "little Switzerland" depends upon the plans of the high command. At any rate, there will be a new operation with stronger material means on both sides.

On the night of the 13th bombers dropped thirty-two tons of bombs on various objectives, including fifteen on Ham and Noyon, where big fires were observed.

Paris, Aug. 15.—Under the constant pressure of General Humbert's troops between the Matz and the Oise, the Germans, who have been forced to relinquish their hold on Ribecourt, are

falling back along the Oise river. They have made desperate efforts to cling to the town owing to the immense importance of its situation on the Compiègne railway to Noyon, but in vain.

London, Aug. 15.—One of the chief features of the Lassigny fighting was the lavish use of German gas which sometimes caught the Germans themselves. The fall of Ribecourt is very important as it commands the road along the Oise towards Compiègne, which thereby is relieved of immediate pressure. It is noteworthy that the development is due to the fact that the army on the Somme, hitherto described as the group of Prince Rupprecht, is now commanded by General Boehm, who extricated the Crown Prince's army on the Marne.

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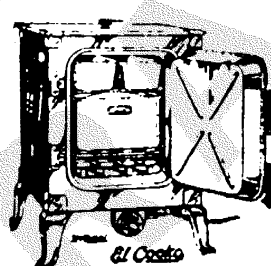
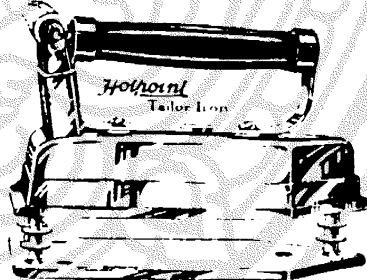
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The Allied Drive.

Germans Thoroughly Thrashed.

Paris, Aug. 11.—The results of the victory gained by the fourth British and first French armies, east of Amiens, were increased in every direction, despite the resistance, strengthened by large reinforcements, which were rushed up by the enemy overnight, while the Canadians and Australians stormed the whole line of the outer defences of Amiens and pushed forward. The French also gained further important successes on the southern flank of the battlefront. Their outflanking Montdidier success makes it unlikely that the Germans will hold this place for long.

More than 24,000 prisoners have been taken since Thursday morning, with about 300 guns, and vast quantities of material of all kinds. The maximum advance exceeds twelve miles, and Allied cavalry even pushed forward to within a mile of Chaumes. The Allies have already cleared the Amiens front considerably, and if compelled the Germans will retreat from Montdidier, and they will set free for traffic both the important railways between Amiens and Paris, thus increasing the Allied power of manoeuvring. There are reports that the Germans are burning their dumps and stores, thus foreshadowing a retreat. It is not officially confirmed, but is probably true. The German General in Command is believed to be Von Boehm, one of those defeated by Field Marshal Foch in the Marne pocket.

Doubtful Fate of Roye.

Paris, Aug. 11.—A semi-official states that Montdidier fell owing to a combined movement of the right wing of General Debeney's army and the left wing of the Third French Army, commanded by General Humbert. Le Journal states that scouting aeroplanes report strong enemy columns advancing by forced marches from Cambrai, Peronne and St. Quentin. Apparently the enemy is contemplating a violent counter-offensive in order to save Roye, the fall of which is so far not confirmed.

The French Third Army is vigorously attacking on the high ground in the neighbourhood of Lesigny, and is progressing satisfactorily, having advanced from three to five miles since yesterday in this region. An early enemy retirement to the line Peronne-Nesle-Noyon Canal is expected. His reserves are believed not to exceed twenty divisions.

It is stated that the Allies are capable of holding all the ground won and will be ready to advance again when the opportunity comes.

London, Aug. 10.—The Australians entered Lihons so swiftly that they captured the German divisional headquarters complete.

A train which the cavalry captured was a leave train.

The Americans yesterday gave a magnificent account of themselves.

Saturday: Several fresh German divisions have been identified in the past thirty hours, proving a desperate effort to arrest the Allied advance, but all counterattacks were unavailing. The capture of Chilly Bridge on Friday evening broke down the last defensive link of the enemy's scattered front. English and American troops for the first time fought side by side in this brilliant enterprise. While the infantry and artillery fought magnificently this has been preeminently a battle of tanks, armoured cars and cavalry. The "whippets," as the wonderful little speedy tanks are called, caused havoc in Marwitz's second army. Six of them advanced in a line and attacked a battery of field guns, the latter being at point-blank. They put four tanks out of action and the remaining two scurried away. But suddenly two of the vanished tanks came whirling out of a cornfield in rear of the battery, and killed and wounded all the German gunners. It is incorrect to suppose that our initial success was due to the Germans holding the line lightly. On the contrary the front of our first attack was held by eight divisions instead of the usual six.

German Officers' Opinion.

Captured German officers expressed their belief that the Germans will be unable to recover to make a strong stand south of the Somme. Meanwhile our aircraft and long range guns are bombarding the bridges crossing the river. The enemy's tremendous loss of material may be gathered from the fact of the condition of our enormous captures of guns, machine-guns, rifles, bombs, food, horses and rolling stock. The Germans have blown up and burnt their supply dumps for miles back.

Since July 18 the Germans have probably lost almost as much material as they captured in their big offensive earlier in the year. More German wounded have been brought to our clearing station than Allied wounded. Many German doctors and hospital attendants have been captured and are doing good service attending the wounded.

According to prisoners, the German Crown Prince seems the most unpopular man in the German army. He is accused of being directly re-

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East from Montdidier.

London, Aug. 11.—French communiqué: Our attacks on the Avre battlefield continued all day, increasing our success. Montdidier was outflanked east and north and fell in the morning. Continuing our victorious advance on the right of the British, we pushed ten kilometres east of Montdidier on the front Andechy, La Boissière and Pecompe, extending the action south-eastward. We attacked German positions on the right and left of the St. Just Roye road on a front of twenty kilometres. We captured Rollot, Orvillers, Sorel, Neuvion sur Matz, Conchylesepois, Neuville sur Sessons and Elincoart, advancing ten kilometres at certain points. The French in three days fighting have advanced over twenty kilometres along the Auliers-Roye road, and have captured over 8,000 prisoners. We have counted up to now 200 guns among the enormous material abandoned.

Aviation communiqué: Despite bad weather our squadrons fought numerous actions, felling fourteen German aeroplanes and setting fire to nine captive balloons. Forty tons of projectiles were dropped by day and night on enemy troops stations and camps.

London, Aug. 11.—French communiqué: Last evening and last night we again progressed on the whole front between the Avre and Oise. We carried Doullens la Grasse massif and advanced east of Bus. Farther south we penetrated the wooded region between the Matz and Oise and reached the outskirts of Laberliene and Cury. We took Mareuillamotte and advanced about three kilometres north of Chevincourt.

The Advance Continues.

London, Aug. 12.—French communiqué: To-day we continued to advance between the Avre and Oise, notwithstanding the enemy resistance. South of the Avre we occupied Marquessiers and Grivillers and reached the line Armancourt Thillioy. We progressed two kilometres north of Roye sur Matz to the outskirts of Canny sur Matz. Farther south we conquered and passed La Berliere. Our advance between the Matz and the Oise was accentuated north of Chevincourt. We hold Mac-hemont and Combroune.

London, Aug. 10.—Reuter's representative at British headquarters, dealing with the Anglo-American assault between the Ancre and the Somme mentioned by Field Marshal Haig, says

that it was pushed home in 40 minutes, when the vitally important Chipilly spur was carried and Moriancourt captured after fierce hand-to-hand fighting.

South of the Somme cavalry and strong infantry patrols entered Foles Beaufort, Warvillers, Restiers, Vauvillers and the front at Rouvrois en Santerre by dark.

London, Aug. 11.—Reuter's correspondent at British headquarters, wiring this evening, states: The enemy is in rapid retreat, and is sacrificing immense quantities of material. A great fire was seen at Chulnes on the afternoon of the 10th.

The battle in which the Anglo-Americans cleared up the Chipilly triangle was remarkable for the feat of the Americans, who arrived after a forced march and without halting a moment fixed bayonets, followed the barrage, cleared the ground, and made way for a further advance, taking over 500 prisoners.

The English who took Chipilly had some of the hardest fighting in this

offensive, carrying the place during the afternoon of the 9th in less than three-quarters of an hour.

It is confirmed that the enemy's casualties are very heavy. Prisoners state that the 7th Bavarian Division, which arrived at Lihons in time to receive the full weight of the Australian assault, is incapable of further fighting at present. The 41st Division was practically wiped out. The Australians on the first day took 1,600 prisoners, five times their own total casualties for the day and night of the 10th.

We are pushing forward at Proyart along the Faucourt road, meeting very heavy artillery and machine gun fire.

Back on Old Battlefield.

In more than one place we are back in the old Somme positions. At Frangant we are across these. In all thirty enemy divisions have participated in the fighting, ten from the reserve. The retreating enemy is continuing to fire villages and blow up dumps a long way back.

London, August 12.—Reuter's correspondent at French headquarters, wiring on the evening of the 10th, tells how General Debenezy, attacking early in the morning from the south-west, swept past Assainvillers plateau and reached by noon Enave-rolles, and an hour later took Etteffay, completely surrounding Montdidier. This is described as a triumphal march by the oldest veterans.

Meanwhile, between Montdidier and the Oise the French made a bound forward of from two to three miles.

Captured officers state that never before have they been pressed back at such a rate. Light tanks played a great part in the drive, saving a great number of casualties.

The territory captured is crammed with abandoned material, including guns and shells of all calibres. Twenty-one guns were captured at Neuville, including six big howitzers. Every one participating on the battlefield is in the highest spirits, in many cases despite 48 hours of incessant fighting and advancing.

The Gold Reserve.

London, Aug. 12.—It is officially stated that the balance of gold standard reserve on July 31 was held as follows:—In India nil; in England £34,737,010 of which £6,000,000 cash was placed by the Secretary of State at short notice. £19,818,604 of British and Colonial Government securities at valued on Mar. 31. £8,918,435 in British Government securities purchased since.

Rainfall.

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

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At Samudaparak Aug. 18 25.0 mm.
" Phra Pradaeng " 18 14.2 "
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At Pradum Dhani Aug. 15 3.2 "
" Ayudhya " 17 1.4 "
" Singhaburi " 17 38.5 "
" Lobbur " 17 16.0 "
" Ayudhya " 18 9.3 "
" Angthong " 18 7.2 "
" Singhaburi " 18 4.0 "
" Lobbur " 18 5.5 "
" Dhanayaburi " 19 11.5 "
" Pradum Dhani " 18 39.0 "
" Saraburi " 18 78.3 "
" Ayudhya " 19 2.9 "
" Angthong " 19 5.5 "

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At Subarn Aug. 18 4.0 "
" Samudra Nagor " 18 18.4 "
" Subarn " 19 2.1 "

MONDOL RAJABURI.

At Rajaburi Aug. 17 1.1 "
" Bejraburi " 17 1.6 "
" Rajaburi " 18 1.1 "
" Bejraburi " 18 1.4 "
" Rajaburi " 19 1.2 "

MONDOL PRACHIN.

At Chhaxong Sao Aug. 18 36.3 "
" Prachin " 18 123.3 "
" Nagor Nayok " 18 74.2 "
" Jolburi " 18 34.5 "
" Krabindra " 18 35.0 "
" Prachin " 19 32.0 "
" Nagor Nayok " 19 32.0 "

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