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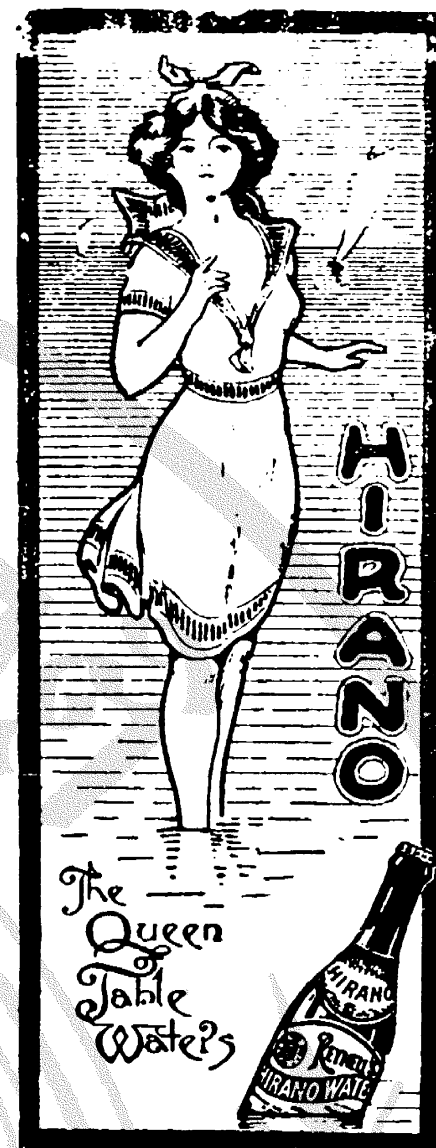
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April	A.M.	
	H. W.	Ft. & in.
1	6 00	13 3
2	2 00	13 6
3	3 00	14 0
4	4 00	14 1
5	4 30	14 6
6	4 30	14 4
7	4 30	14 3
8	5 00	14 0
9	5 30	14 0
10	5 30	13 10
11	6 00	13 10
12	6 00	13 10
13	6 30	13 9
14	6 30	13 6
15	1 00	13 10
16	1 00	14 4
17	2 00	14 4
18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

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

PHASES OF THE MOON.

April 7th O Full Moon 8 h 31 m p.m.
15th (Last Quarter) 2 h 52 m a.m.
21st O New Moon 8 h 43 m p.m.
29th First Quarter 0 h 4 m p.m.

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Spain and the War.

The following statement was made to a special representative of the "Evening Standard" six weeks ago by a Spaniard of high social and political position, bearing a name which has figured prominently in the history of Spain. For obvious reasons he wishes to remain anonymous.

I suppose most English people wonder why, having regard to Spain's long-standing friendship with England, we have not cast in our lot with your country before this.

The explanation is to be found in the same cause which hindered your own preparations for war, and may be epitomised in the one word—politics. Underlying the complex influences of an extremely intricate party machine, Spain to-day is pro-Ally at heart, but owing to circumstances which I will try to explain she has managed for a time to maintain the balance of neutrality.

In nearly every case the heads of many parties and political clubs recognise that victory for the Central Powers would result in German domination of Spain. So thorough and perfectly organised, however has been the Teuton propagandist campaign that these leaders realise the subtle influence it has played among large numbers of their followers, and valuing their office before all things, they abstain from advocating any action threatening a rupture.

We have the Garlista Party openly declaring Don Jaime their King, whilst this Pretender son of Don Carlos is forbidden the soil of Spain. As a matter of fact, he pays periodical visits to Madrid, where, in the interests of peace, his presence passes unnoticed.

I have very good reasons for stating that Don Jaime's sympathies are strongly pro-Ally. He holds a commission in the Russian Army, and his visions of a greater Spain sees a decided loss of freedom of action consequent upon the success of Germany.

But his followers are so saturated with the teachings of the Church militant, whose propaganda has been assiduously encouraged from Berlin, that Jaime keeps his sentiments carefully to himself, because with small-minded conceit, he regards his ceremonial "Court" as the dearest thing on earth.

In this connection I should like to tell you that it is impossible for any but a Spaniard to fully realise the insidious working of the political Church party. Its policy is selfish and narrow, and its methods typical of all that is worst in bribery and corruption. Those who are responsible for its organisation—and most of them keep well in the background—have never been short of funds to push their fanatical ambitions. Germany has not been

slow to take advantage of opportunities, and the movement has been consistently financed from Berlin. The party's chief asset is the largest circulating daily newspaper in Spain. The paper on which it is printed costs more than the net profit accruing to its proprietors. It sells at five centimes a copy, contains probably more pages than any other newspaper in Europe, advertises its policy as neutral, and misses no chance of having a dig at the Entente.

The most reliable of this publication is openly pro-Ally, but your Government has apparently never found occasion to encourage its policy.

Maura, the previous Conservative leader formed the Maurista Club, as a training school for budding politicians, in order to combat the increasing influence of the famous Casa del Pueblo of the Socialists and Republicans. Internal rivalry between these institutions has even been so bitter that international questions have remained almost entirely ignored. Both clubs have measured their importance by constant conflicts and the desire to place their own representative in power. The Republicans, however, are recognising that Prussian ambition, which is responsible for the war, is entirely opposed to their own inherent ideals, and will support the Government in any action it may take against Germany. Romanones is a strong man, possessing the courage of his own convictions, the confidence of the King, and the respect of the Socialists. It may truthfully be said that he is the only party head, actual or nominal, unafraid to speak his own mind.

I can assure you that, even to the Maurista the events of the last few weeks have provided a liberal education. You will understand from my few remarks how a maze of internal complications have obstructed the development of a decided foreign policy. By her war on neutral shipping, Germany has created for herself another enemy, and taught the people of Spain that their interests are not confined to their own country, nor their well-being wrapped up in an antiquated party system. I would ask you to-day to tell the British people how we value their friendship, realising that an Allied victory, which is every hour becoming more certain, will result in closer ties between the Low countries and give us a freer hand in our own destiny.

Spain at the moment is supporting 100,000 subjects of the Kaiser, whilst his submarines are sinking our ships. Such a state of affairs cannot continue. But my own opinion is that the most effective way for us to declare war on Germany will be by sending you all the supplies possible, using our navy as escorts for the vessels carrying the merchandise.

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	a.m.	a.m.	p.m.	p.m.		a.m.	a.m.	p.m.	p.m.
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Ayuthia Arr.	9.3	11.41	3.33	5.45	p.m.
Ban Phaji Arr.	9.47	12.20	4.24	6.30	Den Chai	12.38
...	Tha Sao	7.1
Ban Phaji Dep.	9.57	12.37	4.30	...	Utaradit	...	...	...	7.18
Lopburi Arr.	11.5	1.55	5.48	...	Ban Dara Arr.	...	...	...	8.16
Chengket Dep.	12.33	3.38	...	a.m.	...	...	...	...	3.26
Pak'poh Arr.	2.17	5.40	...	9.54	Sawa'loke Dep.	...	...	...	a.m.
...	...	...	...	...	Ban Dara Arr.	...	...	...	7.20
Pak'poh Dep.	2.26	6.30	...	...	...	...	...	...	8.1
Pitsaloke Arr.	6.	11.5	...	...	...	...	...	...	3.11
...	...	...	...	...	Ban Dara Dep.	...	...	...	a.m.
Pitsaloke Dep.	7.4	2.2	...	...	Pitsaloke Arr.	...	...	...	8.24
Ban Dara Arr.	9.5	4.18	...	...	...	...	...	...	3.32
...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	10.12
Ban Dara Dep.	9.20	4.40	...	...	...	...	...	...	a.m.
S'kaloke Arr.	10.21	5.41	...	...	...	...	...	...	1.45
...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	7.00
Ban Dara Dep.	9.10	4.26	...	...	...	...	...	...	10.43
Utaradit	10.6	5.29	...	...	Chengket Arr.	6.21	...	...	9.22
Tha Sao	10.15	5.38	...	...	Lopburi Dep.	...	...	...	12.28
Den Chai	11.57	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1.56
Lampang	4.52	...	...	...	Ban Phaji Arr.	...	...	...	p.m.
...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	8.30
Ban Phaji Dep.	10.10	12.30	4.41	...	Korat Dep.	6.57	...	...	12.21
Gengko Arr.	11.7	1.26	5.51	...	Lat Bua Kao Ar.	5.55	...	...	3.4
Lat Bua Kao	...	4.2	...	8.2	...	...	...	...	a.m.
Korat	...	6.8	...	10.3	...	...	...	...	7.20
Bangkok Dep.	7.45	...	...	3.50	...	...	...	...	11.32
Petrieu Arr.	9.33	...	...	5.38	...	...	...	...	2.59
...	...	...	...	...	Ban Phaji Dep.	6.27	8.37	12.44	3.14
...	...	...	...	...	Ayuthia	7.13	9.25	1.23	3.58
...	...	...	...	...	Bangkok	9.28	11.35	3.16	6.00
...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	a.m.
...	...	...	...	...	Petrieu Dep.	7.50	...	...	3.55
...	...	...	...	...	Bangkok Arr.	9.38	...	...	5.45

The Man of the Hour.

Petrograd, March 18.—M. Rodzianko boldly stands out as the man responsible for the maintenance of order. If the news is a surprise to the rest of the world the cause is the over-rigorous censorship. The country has been restless for months, owing to the rise in food prices. Although the wages of workmen in Russia have been doubled and trebled, the area of discontent widened. The winter was also excessively severe, fuel and other necessities being only obtainable at famine prices. On the top of these misfortunes came the shortage of bread. This was not due to the lack of supplies, but was owing to the absence of a fixed price for flour in the villages, the peasants only receiving the pre-war rates for produce. Emisaries, acting in the interests of the Germans, warned the peasants that it was necessary to hold back supplies.

The action of the Government emisaries resulted in very little corn reaching the market. Meanwhile there was growing disaffection because of men not known to the people, and not trusted by them being placed at the head of the various departments of State. A month ago a number of men visited the ammunition works at Petrograd, professing to speak on behalf of M. Millukoff, the popular leader of the Cadet party in the Duma, urging the workmen to strike as a protest against the continuance of the war. The emisaries distributed arms amongst the workers.

Munition Disaster.

Chester, Pennsylvania April 13.—Two explosions at the Eddystone ammunition factory have occurred. It is estimated that 175 have been killed and several hundred injured. The force of the explosion scattered shells in every direction.

The first explosion occurred in the room in the shrapnel building where a hundred girls were putting finishing touches to shells. Approximately thirty thousand shells were stored in the adjoining building which the second explosion demolished. Both buildings took fire. The firemen strenuously worked to confine the flames thereto. Meantime the charred bodies of recovered and injured were picked up and filled two hospitals and two improvised hospitals which were organised. Whispers of a German plot are current.

Four arrests have been made in connection with the Eddystone explosion. British Food.

London, April 14.—A memorandum of the Board of Agriculture on dimin-

ished importation and the military requirements will reduce feeding stuffs of the country in the coming year by 14 million tons. Simultaneously the numbers of live stock is unprecedentedly large; therefore the rationing of feeding stuffs and a substantial reduction of live stock is essential.

Personalia.

London, April 14.—The Daily Express says, Brigadier General Bulkeley Johnson has been killed in a brilliant cavalry charge, preceding the capture of Monchy.

Jassy, April 14.—King Ferdinand inspecting the troops at the front promised them gifts of land and extension of political rights.

London, April 13.—The King and Queen and the American Ambassador will attend an American war dedicatory service at Saint Paul's on April 20.

London, April 14.—As a mark of admiration of the splendid work of the naval and military wings of the Air Service and especially the wonderful achievements in the recent operations in France and elsewhere the King has become Colonel in Chief of the Royal Flying Corps.

Liberalism Makes Strides.

New York, March 18.—The New York "Herald" says: "The revolt is against a corrupt and treacherous Germanised aristocracy. The revolution will result in a notable strengthening of Russia's position in the war."

The "Tribune" says:—"The year 1917 may be for Russia what 1789 was for France." The New York "World": "Liberalism has been making great strides in Russia since the beginning of the war. It was to check this movement that a pro-German autocracy began negotiations for a separate peace. Every democratic country hopes for the success of the revolution, which seems assured. Germany must now read the handwriting on the wall."

Mr. Ackerman, the "Tribune's" correspondent, has returned from Berlin. He predicts that Germany will make an early attempt at a great drive against Russia, but adds that the uprising destroys at one blow Germany's hope.

A PARENT'S DUTY.

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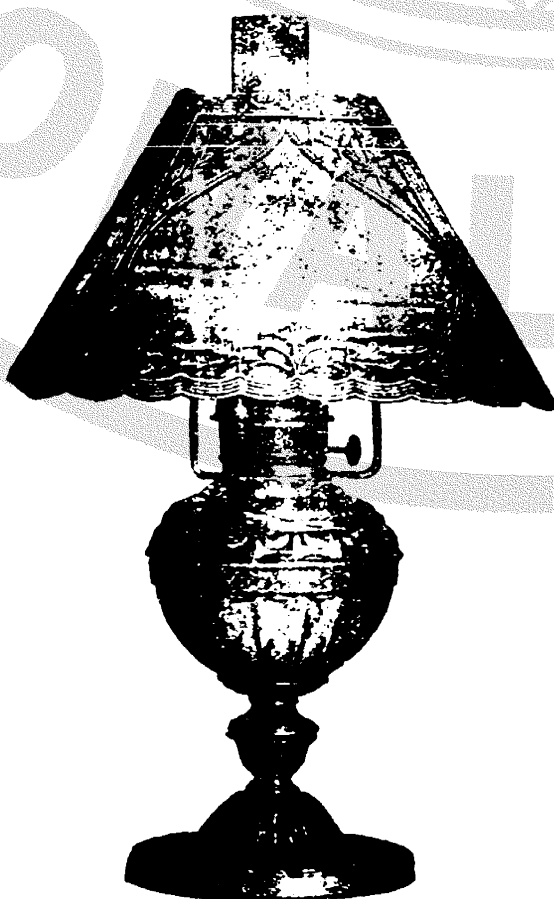
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UNCONSIDERED PREJUDICE.

There has been an agitation on the part of some misguided people in England to procure the removal of the commemorative tablet to Heinrich Heine from No. 32, Craven Street, London. It is difficult to understand the mental attitude of persons who favour the proposal, which is on a par with the suggestions which have been made that the music of Wagner, Beethoven, Handel and other composers should be banned amongst the Allied nations. Surely the gifts of genius are the heritage of all the world, and are not to be rejected on the ground of narrow national prejudice. As regards Heine, those who are clamouring for the tablet to be taken away are not only guilty of one of the worst forms of insularity, but display a profound ignorance of the character and the aims of that brilliant writer. Heinrich Heine, though born in Germany, aspired to be a citizen of the world rather than of any one country, and it was Paris that he loved above all others as a place of residence. It is true that at one time he was afflicted with Anglophobia to a considerable extent, but before his death he realised the narrowness of this attitude and made a formal recantation of his earlier expressions of opinion. His works are well known in England as elsewhere throughout the civilised world, and have been justly admired; although they do not adapt themselves easily to translation, there are excellent versions of them in other languages than that in which they were written. Some conception of Heine's true nature may be gathered from his own words, as quoted by Matthew Arnold:—"I know not if I deserve that a laurel-wreath should one day be laid on my coffin. Poetry, dearly as I have loved it, has always been to me but a divine plaything. . . . But lay on my coffin a sword; for I was a brave soldier in the war of liberation of humanity." Unprejudiced individuals will deprecate most severely all such movements as the one to which we are referring. The giants of literature, of the arts and the sciences, in whatever land they may have had their birth, belong to no single country and to no single nation, but to the common race of men, who are their legacies in equal measure. It is only the mediocrities who are national property in the restricted sense. As said Angelus Silesius, the medieval mystic:—"The nobler a thing is, the commoner it will be. The air, the sun and God, what commoner than these three?" To extend the analogy, the creations of genius should be common to all, and no foolish boundaries should be defined for any one of them.

Another Contribution to the Allied Forces.

Roger Upton, eldest son of the late Thomas Upton and Margaret Upton, has received a commission in the 20th Durham Light Infantry and left for France in February. The youngest son, Eddie Upton, is now training in the Officers' Training Camp at Newcastle. Both of these boys were born in Bangkok and no doubt are well remembered by the older residents.

LOCAL AND GENERAL.

THE Post and Telegraph Department reports that all lines are available.

THE s.s. *Kotang* left Singapore at 8 a.m. on Sunday the 22nd inst., and may be expected to arrive at the Borneo Company's wharf on Wednesday evening.

WE are asked to announce that, owing to the absence of several members, there will be no meeting of the Alliance Française this month.

THE s.s. *Cheng Chow*, Capt. Morse, left Swatow direct for Bangkok on the evening of the 21st inst. and is due in Bangkok Saturday or Sunday at the latest. Her European passengers are Mr. and Mrs. Brighthouse, Mr. Jenkins and Mrs. Elvira Tratnik.

AMONG the stories of the Right Hon. Robert Lowe now being dragged again into the light of publicity is that which tells that once, when he was dining out with his wife, who was not of brilliant intellect, the conversation turned upon the Anglican Marriage Service. Lowe observed that it was absurd that he should have had to say, "With all my worldly goods I thee endow," because he had nothing to bestow when he married. "You had your brains, Robert," said Mrs. Lowe. "But I didn't endow you with them, my dear," said Lowe.

Race Lotteries.

The following prizes were realized last night at the lotteries held at the R.B.S.C.:

First Race.—Un Chon Tcs. 30, Khone Loi Tcs. 15, Plawng Tcs. 60, Sib Hok Tcs. 30, Sanghatit II Tcs. 25, Bluff Tcs. 45, Viriya Tcs. 25, Peter Simple Tcs. 5, Sasi Tcs. 11, Ravi Tcs. 40. Total Tcs. 586.

Second Sheet First Race.—Un Chon Tcs. 40, Khone Loi Tcs. 15, Plawng Tcs. 55, Sib Hok Tcs. 30, Sanghatit II Tcs. 25, Bluff Tcs. 45, Viriya Tcs. 45, Peter Simple Tcs. 14, Sasi Tcs. 20, Ravi Tcs. 35. Total Tcs. 624.

Second Race.—Yot Rak Tcs. 60, Plain Jane Tcs. 10, Ratta Dara Tcs. 35, Rave d'Or Tcs. 60, Betty Tcs. 10. Total Tcs. 475.

Third Race.—Flirt Tcs. 55, Mad Meg Tcs. 70, Thong Dee Tcs. 55, Townit Tcs. 55. Total Tcs. 535.

Fourth Race.—Gladys C. Tcs. 60, Royal Page Tcs. 20, The Ace Tcs. 65, Lady de Melbe Tcs. 80, Lakafoss Tcs. 55. Total Tcs. 580.

Second Sheet Fourth Race.—Gladys C. Tcs. 50, Royal Page Tcs. 25, The Ace Tcs. 40, Lady de Melbe Tcs. 45, Lakafoss Tcs. 75. Total Tcs. 535.

Fifth Race.—Lily E. Tcs. 40, Say When Tcs. 70, Kanda Tcs. 110, Molly Tcs. 25. Total Tcs. 540.

Sixth Race.—Nai Chan Tcs. 20, Phung Boon Tcs. 35, Royal Flush Tcs. 75, Sandfly Tcs. 40, Moment Tcs. 130. Total Tcs. 600.

Second Sheet Sixth Race.—Nai Chan Tcs. 12, Phung Boon Tcs. 45, Royal Flush Tcs. 110, Sandfly Tcs. 50, Moment Tcs. 100. Total Tcs. 617.

American Naval Construction.

The Union Iron Works at San Francisco have received an order for the construction of ten torpedo-destroyers from Josephus Daniels, Secretary of the Navy. At present eight submarines, two despatch vessels and sixteen destroyers are under construction at the Union Iron Works. The Government has guaranteed a profit of 10 per cent. for the order. The Secretary of the Navy issued a notification recruiting naval men recently and asked the American press to give their assistance to the enrolment.—Ex.

Japanese and the Russian Regime.

Tokio public opinion on the Russian revolution, according to a Shanghai contemporary, may be summed up thus:

1.—The Russian people generally has no political idea to have a Republic as yet.

2.—The Russians, who are quite religious, may not be able to feel satisfied without having the Tsar, who is always the centre of religious faith.

3.—The new Cabinet Ministers, knowing very well those circumstances, will not attempt to change the status of the State radically.

4.—It is not beneficial to the State to change the status of the State at such a time, when the war by which the existence of the State is at stake is going on.

5.—In the Imperial House of Russia there is a popular Prince like the Grand Duke Nicholas. With these reasons the change of the status of the State is expected to be difficult.

The "Tokio Asahi" presumes that the majority of the Russian people will finally install the Grand Duke Nicholas on the Throne.

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THE Great War.

Mr. Balfour in America.

(REUTER'S TELEGRAM.)

Washington.—Mr. Balfour's Commission has arrived, and was received on landing by Mr. Spring Rice. The crowds accorded an ovation, and the city was beflagged with the Allies' colours.

British Communique.

(REUTER'S TELEGRAM.)

London, April 24. Field-Marshal Sir Douglas Haig reports: We attacked this morning on a wider front on the banks of the Scarpe. The fighting is proceeding, and our troops have made satisfactory progress. We captured during the night the remainder of the village of Trecaule southward of the Bapaume-Cambria road, and gained possession of the greater part of Havricourt Wood.

British Airship Missing.

(REUTER'S TELEGRAM.)

London, April 24. The Admiralty reports that the British airship which was patrolling the West Coast on Saturday has not yet returned.

Western Front.

(Havas Telegram.)

Paris, April 23. Yesterday we stopped all attacks in the Champagne, chiefly at Monthaut, where the enemy abandoned a large number of dead. To-day there was reciprocal artillery activity on a big scale to the south of St. Quentin and between Soissons and Reims. We prevented an enemy attack to the east of Craonne. In Champagne we repulsed a lively attack from the heights of Morouvillers; also several surprise attacks at St. Michel, in the Woëvre and in the Vosges.

The British progressed east of Havricourt wood and took possession of a part of the village of Trecault.

Hospital Ships Sunk.

(Havas Telegram.)

Paris, April 23. London.—Hospital ships carrying 234 British and 167 German wounded have been torpedoed. 23 British and 15 Germans are missing.

Duma Dissolved.

Stockholm, March 18.—The "Social Demokrat" states that the leaders of the October party, before the outbreak of the revolution, visited headquarters and conferred with a number of generals. They were also received by the Czar, and held a conference with the Grand Duke Michael. The Octoberists gained the impression that the whole army would join, provided the revolution could be finished within a week in order not to interfere with the war operations to any marked degree. When the leaders returned to Petrograd the revolution broke out. Neutral eye-witnesses state that public opinion in the large towns was entirely in favour of the revolution, demanding a more vigorous prosecution of the war until victory is assured.

Matters becoming Normal.

London, March 18.—The "Daily Chronicle's" Petrograd correspondent states that normal life is being resumed and that the leaders of the new era have shown in an hour of the terrible trial a supreme patriotism and nobility that will be a beacon light in the great days through which the Russian people are passing.

As one of the leaders remarked:— "The war is foremost in our thoughts. It would not have mattered had we been killed, but we wanted to establish a Government immediately and prosecute the war to victory."

Kerensky, a member of the Provisional Government, had a reputation of being rather a light-hearted and clever young lawyer, with a taste for irresponsible declamation, but he has shown marvellous strength of character. It was the hardest task to secure an agreement between the Council and the workmen's deputies, where many extremists are insisting on a policy that would have wrecked Russia.

New Ads.—The Bangkok Auctioneering Co. (T. S. Apcar) will sell by auction the furniture of Mr. W. Siebert on Saturday next. Mr. D. Froiman wants to buy a second-hand piano. The Borneo Co. have a new notice to con-ignees. The Phathana-korn cinema will show some attractive films to-night including "The Lady in Black" in four parts.

Belgian Children's Fund.

The following letter from the National Committee of Relief in Belgium has been received by the Hon Sec. of the B. B. W. N. G.:

3rd March, 1917.

Dear Madam,

I have to acknowledge with many thanks your letter of the 18th January enclosing cheque value £170.0.0. being a contribution from the British, French, Belgian, Italian and neutral residents of Bangkok, towards the relief of the destitute children in Belgium.

I have pleasure in enclosing the Hon. Treasurer's official receipt and would be grateful if you would convey it to those who helped to raise this sum, and accept yourself, our most sincere thanks. I note with many thanks that you hope to send us a further donation at a later date.

Yours faithfully,

W. A. M. GOODE,

Hon. Sec.

Since the above-mentioned draft for £170 sent in January, two further instalments of £40 and £15, have been despatched in Feb. and March, and the B. B. W. N. G. will be glad to receive any further donations for the same cause, as information has been received that the work of the Relief Committee in Belgium is being carried on in spite of the entry of the United States into the war.

Wire News.

London, April 17.—Berlin Official: Twenty-three aeroplanes attacked Freiburg in Breisgau on Saturday. Eleven persons were killed and 27 injured. The University was considerably damaged, and the Municipal Theatre, institutes and infirmaries were attacked. Three British aeroplanes were brought down.

The leader of the attack, a British Lieut. Colonel, was taken prisoner. According to his statements, and a fly-sheet thrown down, the attack was a reprisal for the torpedoing of the Gloucester Castle.

The statement most vigorously contests such a justification, and declares that Britain must take the consequences of despising Germany's warning against the misuse of hospital ships. "The revengeful attack upon an open town in which were no military important objects is cheap glory."

London, April 17.—Every movement of a crowned head is regarded now as possessing significance.

The King of Denmark and the Crown Prince are going to Stockholm a week hence.

Paris, April 17.—The distinguished political writer, Deputy Karlsen, is proceeding as High Commissioner for the French Republic to the United States, with plenary power, to co-ordinate all technical measures for co-operation.

Famous Guards.

London, March 18.—There was a most impressive scene on the arrival of the Preobrajensky Guards, with their colonel and officers, at Taurida Palace. All the men are of giant stature, and were drawn up four deep the whole length of the enormous Catherine Hall.

M. Rodzianko came out to greet them. When he appeared the colonel cried, "Preobrajensky, attention!" The whole regiment stood at the salute. M. Rodzianko said: "Soldiers of the true faith, let me, as an old soldier, greet you according to our custom. I wish you good health." There was a thunderous response. "We wish good health to your Excellency."

M. Rodzianko continued, thanking the troops for assisting the Duma to safeguard the honour and glory of the country. The guards marched away cheering. Other members of the committee visited other barracks by order of the executive committee, and M.M. Pepelajey and Toskin members of the Duma, went and took over the command of the Kronstadt fortress garrison.

To Distinguish Veterans.

London, March 16.—The Army Council is considering whether it will introduce a distinguishing mark for soldiers who have served long periods in the firing line.

A French Tribute to Kitchener.

One of the finest tributes paid to Lord Kitchener was contained in some beautiful lines written by Colonel Charles de Nansouty, one of the defenders of Verdun. The last verse (translated) is:

No blossoms on his bier, no leaves of June
Need we, who fall as fast, bring to his grave;
No yews shall hide, no mourning cypress shade
The fading script of marble epitaphs.
The lords of all those legions sleep at last
Wrapt in the bosom of the Eternal Sea.
With mighty voices through the vaults of Time
The winds rehearse his passing and his name,
Deep calleth unto Deep for evermore.

Home Rule.

London, March 17.—The "Nation" comments:—"Mr. Bonar Law might have delivered nine-tenths of Mr. Lloyd George's so-called Home Rule speech, which is really an affirmation of Ulster's claim to veto the Home Rule Bill. What has happened in Ireland is a sequel to the detronement of the Liberals in England. The Irish imagination had gone a deal further than the Home Rule Act back to Grattan's Parliament, and the notion of a self-contained Assembly, deriving its authority directly from the Crown and possessing the right of independent legislation. Now it is asking admission into the Empire as a Dominion rather than as a province. Hence the desirability of Mr. Asquith's proposal to call in the Colonial Premiers and to require them to redraft the Home Rule Act. The Colonial Premiers are Home Rulers, except Mr. Massey (New Zealand), who is an Irish Orangeman. Thus the whole body happens to present a rough microcosm of political Ireland."

The "Daily Telegraph's" parliamentary writer says that the Home Rule denouement is designed to create the impression in Ireland that Mr. Redmond had worked himself into a cold passion.

The warnings were delivered in calculated wrath and the exodus of the Nationalists was a deplorable episode. There is no mistaking the gravity of the situation in Ireland. Mr. Asquith's words were significant. He said:—"The situation has degenerated since July. We are living in a fool's paradise if we do not recognise the gravity of the symptoms."

Ireland is seething with a revolutionary spirit, and Mr. Redmond and Mr. O'Connor are working with the end of preventing their followers from joining the Sinn Féiners.

The "Daily Chronicle's" parliamentary writer says that not once has Mr. Lloyd George appealed to Ulster. His was the sort of speech that Mr. Bonar Law used to make once, and it could not help but be felt that Mr. Lloyd George's vision of Ireland's soul had been obscured. It is regrettable that the debate has opened a gulf between the Nationalists and Mr. Lloyd George.

"The Little Father."

London, March 18.—Professor James Young Simpson, who was recently in Russia, in an interview, said:—"The Czar's manifesto is calculated to stir up an enormous amount of sympathy in the Russian people for the Throne. It will possibly have an effect later, that is, if the moderate Liberals are unable to carry the scheme to establish a constitutional monarchy. I have little doubt that a moderate monarchical policy will ultimately prevail. Obviously, there are pro-German groups whose policy it will be to endeavour to make trouble between the Socialists and the moderate Liberals, and stimulate the former to more extreme measures, hoping to produce in two or three months some sort of reaction. For however much people are disappointed and angered at the policy of any individual Emperor, it is impossible to eradicate the deep instinctive reverence and love for the Little Father, as the Sovereign is affectionately termed."

"I am optimistic, expecting the situation to clear up gradually. I think this is the hardest knock Germany has had. The disheartening conditions under which the war was lately conducted, when the country knew the Premier was seeking to conclude a separate peace, have ended, and the people, army, and public councils are greatly heartened. Russia will fight the war to a finish, and the war will be expedited."

Mr. Farberman, the London correspondent of the Petrograd "Bourse Gazette," says:—"While the revolution certainly aims at winning the war there is something even higher and more important, namely, the attainment of the ideals for which the Russians have been fighting for 50 years. It would be most unjust to brand as anarchists the Socialists and Revolutionists, who, after years of waiting, now see the dawn of their hopes. The majority of those now governing Russia are moderates. They demand only a Government commanding the people's confidence. They do not ask for more than they asked in 1915, when the Czar gave no answer. He was looking for forces

with which to fight the revolution, and finding himself unsupported, he was compelled to yield. His manifesto is intended to convey the impression that he abdicated willingly, out of patriotism and love of country. The best evidence to the contrary is seen in the past. The Czar abdicated because the Duma decided that neither he nor his son should remain, and that the Grand Duke Michael should only be temporarily Regent."

Mammoth War Record.

A scheme to form a complete bibliography of everything published in relation to the war has been inaugurated by Mr. Alex. J. Phipps, with the support of the Central Committee for National Patriotic Organisations. This bibliography, which will be on a larger scale than anything ever attempted, will include not only books and pamphlets, but also posters and handbills,

circulares relating to the Navy, Army, War savings, national economy, and other matters arising from the war. Even cinema films will be included in the record. Much of this literature has already disappeared, without leaving even a record of its appearance. Some stray copies may exist half-forgotten, hidden away in drawers in private houses, and it is the purpose of the compilers of the bibliography to make as full a record as possible of all this fugitive matter. The great value of such a catalogue to students of history and sociology is sufficient reason for undertaking the work, which entails a world-wide organisation, with correspondents collecting records in all languages in all countries.

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Corpse Exploitation.

London, April 17.—A sensation has been created by the publication of some details of the revolting treatment to which the Germans subject their dead soldiers, in converting their bodies into pigs' food and manure.

The Lokal Anzeiger correspondent on the western front, describing the town of Evergnicourt, says: "There's a dull smell in here as if lime were being burned. We are passing the great corpse exploitation establishment of this army group."

The newspaper La Belgique, of Leyden, however, contains a full version of the ghastly process. "German science is responsible for the idea of the formation of the German Official Utilization Company, Limited, which is a dividend-paying company with a capital of quarter of a million, the chief factory of which has been constructed for dealing specially with the dead from the western front. If the results are as good as the company hopes, a second factory will be established to deal with corpses on the eastern front.

"The factory is invisible from the railway, being placed deep in forest country with a specially thick growth of trees around. Live wires surround it. In the north-west corner the discharge of trains takes place. "Trains arrive full of bare bodies, which are unloaded by workers, who live at the works, wear oilskins, overalls and mica eye-pieced masks, and are equipped with long hooked poles. They push the bundles of bodies on to an endless chain on which are hooks at intervals of two feet, picking up the bodies, which are transported thus into a long narrow compartment, passing through a disinfectant bath, then through a drying chamber and finally into a 'digester' or great cauldron—an apparatus detaching them from the chain—remaining therein from six to eight hours, treated by steam, which breaks them up and they are slowly stirred by machinery.

"The resultant products are fats which are broken up into stearine in the form of tallow and oils, requiring to be redistilled before use. The process of distillation is carried out by boiling the oil with carbonate of soda, some by-products of which are used by German soap-makers.

"The oil distillery and refinery lie in the south-eastern corner of the works. The refined oil is sent out in small casks like those used for petroleum, and is yellowish brown. The fumes are exhausted from the buildings by electric fans and sucked through a great pipe to the north-eastern corner, where they are condensed. The resultant refuse is discharged into a sewer. "There is a laboratory. The chief

chemist in charge of the works has two assistants and 78 men all soldiers of the 8th Army Corps. There is a sanatorium near the works. No man is permitted to leave the latter, they being guarded as prisoners at their appalling work."

The Daily Mail, commenting on these revelations, says that civilised races have always regarded the dishonouring of the dead as cannibalism. That the Hohenzollerns should, after using their subjects as gun fodder, treat their bodies as offal, more than outrages all our ideals and faith.

Adam Was Prussian.

To multiply the gaiety of nations in these dark days the Tribune de Geneve publishes the following translation of a letter written by a German girl to a friend in Switzerland. The letter is dated from Frankfurt-am-Order, and the captivating, young person who writes is the daughter of a Government architect in Germany:—"My dear little Louise,—The contents of your last letter would have wounded me if I had not known that your opinions on our glorious war were the outcome of ignorance. You require a strong dose of Prussian culture. It is evident that you, a Swiss, fashioned to French thought, cannot understand that my young German girl's heart has ardently, passionately desired this war; it has been talked of with us for years, and my father used to say to us, 'Children, Germany is becoming too small for us; we must return to France in order to make a place for ourselves and to get money.' Is it our fault if France does not understand that we need money and territory? Then you reproach me for the treatment of our soldiers toward the Belgian 'canaille'; you also speak of the damage to the Rheims Cathedral, of villages and towns burnt, etc., etc. That is war! You have something to learn in order to equal us, and I can assure you that all that has been done up to now is a mere bagatelle to what is going to happen. Only yesterday our pastor was explaining in a convincing manner that the first man, Adam, and Eve were also Prussians. That is easy to understand, for in the Bible it is written that our German God has created us according to his own image. If, therefore, all men have descended from a Prussian Adam and from his wife, there should only exist Prussians, or at least Germans, and everything that grows and exists should belong to us. You must admit this is logical reasoning, and that is why our device is 'God with us, and Germany over all.'"

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Dramatic Incident.

Kerensky won victory in an historical speech. Appearing in a stormy assembly, he mounted the table and with flashing eyes and passionate utterance announced the acceptance of the post of Minister for Justice. The announcement turned the tide. Amid cheering, he continued: "Comrades, in entering the Provisional Government I remain a republican, and must lean for help on the people's will. May I trust you, as I trust myself? I call you to the organisation of discipline." Agreement was at once attained, and the Government issued its programme. The main feature of the election is a constituent Assembly to, after the war, determine a form of government and whether it shall be republican or otherwise. Possibly ex-Czar Nicholas and the Czarina will be sent to live quietly in England.

Pride and Confidence.

London, March 18.—The "Observer," commenting on the Russian resolve to vanquish the Germans within, equally the Germans without, says:—The cry is raised with exultant and formidable passion unknown since 1812. This spirit will double the working and fighting power of the people numbering 280,000,000. All along the fighting fronts, from the Baltic to the Caucasus, the news of the revolution has sent a new thrill of pride and confidence. The military leaders are heart and soul with the nation's purpose. The Grand Duke Nicholas is a man of steel. He is an ideal leader. In him the Germans recognise an inexorable antagonist. He will never be daunted, and will never yield. He has a strong staff and a more brilliant set of colleagues than ever before. The resources of the committee, whether of men and guns and ammunition, are such as have not been enjoyed in the earlier stages of the war.

Swift Movements.

New York, March 18.—Arno Doschleuro, the New York "World's" Petrograd correspondent, writes that the revolutionary party is now in complete control of the great cities. The most remarkable feature of the revolt was the rapidity with which order was restored.

"I happened to be at a central point when the revolution started," he writes. "I saw the crowd rush and face the

infantry and machine-guns. The soldiers would refuse to fire, and would then join in the revolution. There was scant danger except from the fire from the housetops. In my judgment the people did not think it was a serious revolt or that they were gaining political freedom through the revolution until actual combats took place. The success of the whole movement now seems complete."

Other messages state that M. Protopopoff was the evil genius of Russia. Recently he went to England, and on his return stayed at Stockholm, where he conferred with a prominent German financier. When he returned to Petrograd M. Protopopoff was one of the most rapid advocates of a separate peace.

Leaders of the Russian Revolt.

London, March 18.—Mr. H. Y. Hyndman, Socialist leader, in an interview, said he had been aware for some time that the Dowager Empress, the advanced party of the Duma and Council of Empire, and some of the commanders at the front, headed the movement which resulted in the present ultimatum to the Czar, demanding that he free the country from German influences and depose the reactionary Ministers. England had lent Russia about £60,000,000 on the Duma's security and strength.

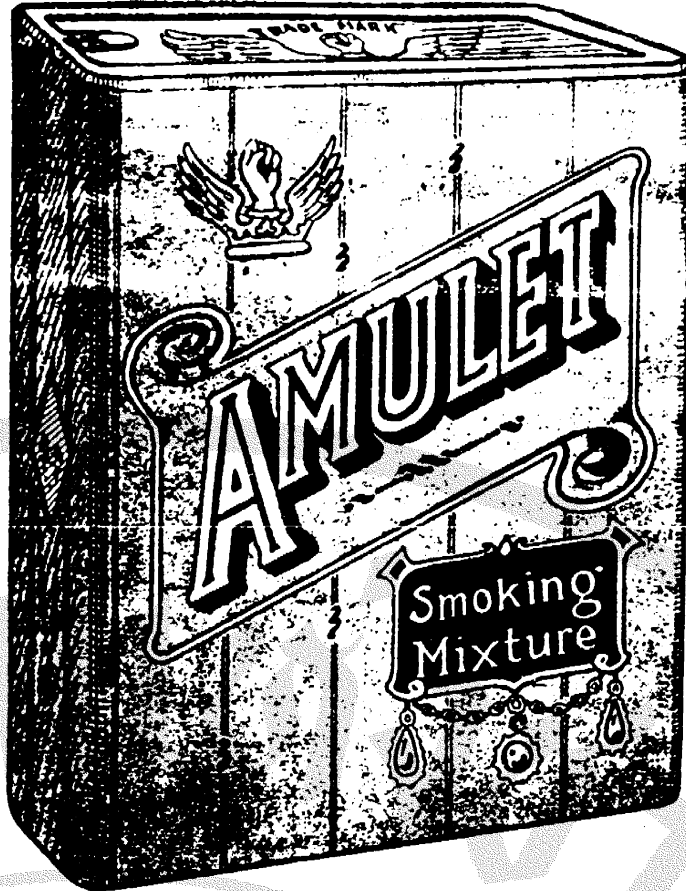
Lord Milner's Efforts Fail.

London, March 18.—The "Manchester Guardian's" correspondent telegraphs that Lord Milner's visit to Russia was partly connected with the country's internal conditions, and he endeavoured to effect an agreement between the Czar and the Duma.

The Czar rejected a suggestion that he should appoint a Ministry responsible to Parliament, and declared that it did not harmonise with Russian institutions. He also rejected a suggestion to appoint a Ministry acceptable to the Duma, with M. Sazonoff as Premier and Foreign Secretary.

The Czar's obduracy defeated Lord Milner's other efforts to avert a revolution. Lord Milner's failure is regarded as an indication that nothing could be hoped for from the Czar.

A Petrograd message states that assemblies of the nobility resolved to participate in the people's movement. At extraordinary meetings energetic resolutions were passed against the persons responsible for the crisis.

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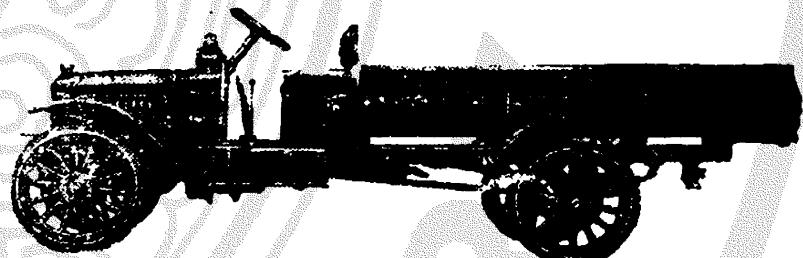
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Mr. Hughes Opinion.

Melbourne, March 16.—In the House of Representatives, this afternoon, Mr. Bamford asked would the Government, in view of the possibility of the occurrences in Russia detrimentally affecting the interests of Australia, reconsider its determination to send Parliament to the country at this juncture?

The Prime Minister replied that there was no position in the wide world that he would so easily reconsider. He had never tried to pose as one of those anxious to go to the people at any time. He did not know what the abdication of the Czar meant; none of them were sufficiently familiar with events in Russia to know precisely what this most dramatic and amazing episode in the history of the war and of civilisation really meant. Never had there been a revolution so far reaching as this. With one stroke, a dynasty, or at any rate a great figure, had disappeared. What was more to the point was that the whole bureaucracy of the governing class had also disappeared. The Duma, which was yesterday dismissed at will, and was the sport of this or that official appointed by the Czar, was now ruling. Whether this was an omen for good or evil depended entirely upon the nature of the forces that were directing this revolution. If this meant that Russia was going to pull out of the war, he personally thought it meant the very opposite, in a few hours perhaps they would know the truth.

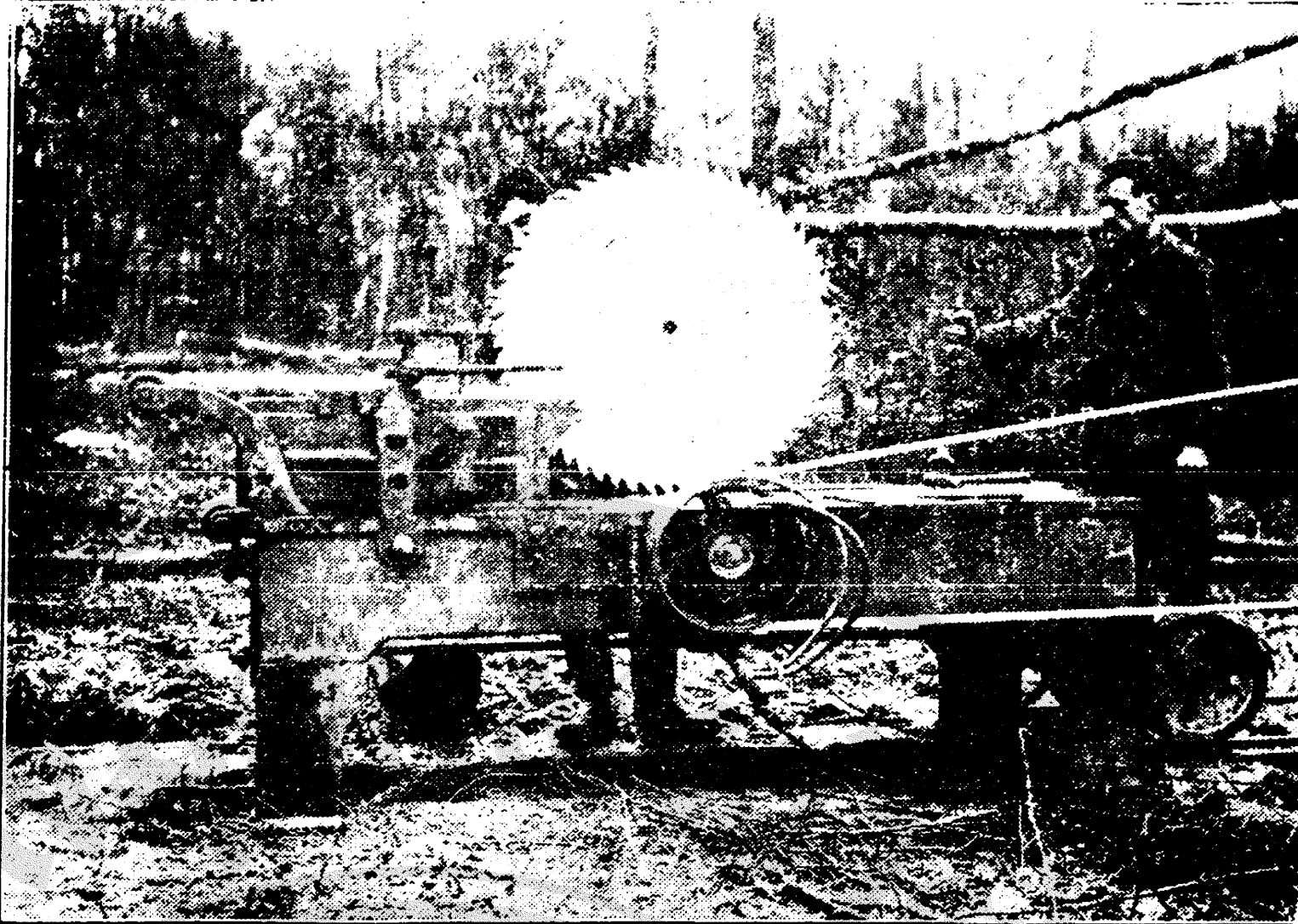
Submarine Losses.

New York, March 18.—The New York "Times" says that information given by a deserting German sailor shows that more submarines will not return than the Government dares to admit. When they arrive back after a month's cruise it is necessary to dry-dock them for a month. To be effective the submarines must work on the surface. Periscope observation is the most difficult known. One submarine observing in this manner, torpedoed a German ship, mistaking it for an enemy vessel. This practise also accounts for the escape of armed merchantmen, as they force submarines into the lowest water.

Amsterdam, March 20.—The German submarine "Hellevoetsluis" has been disarmed and the crew interned.

A Popular Personality.

Vancouver, March 18.—The New York "Times" correspondent, recently returned from Petrograd, says that Prince Lvoff is the most popular man in Russia. He was organizer of the food supplies for the armies, and possesses the confidence of the Russian people. The Grand Duke Michael is a strong antagonist of the German influence in the Court.



BRITISH OFFICIAL PHOTOGRAPH TAKEN ON THE WESTERN FRONT.
Fitting a new Sawmill in Course of erection.

National War Museum.

London, March 16.—Cabinet has approved of the scheme of Sir A. Mond, First Commissioner of Works, for a national war museum.

Disappointed Diplomat.

New York, March 18.—Mr. Gerard, United States Ambassador to Germany, was welcomed here. During an address he said:—

"We are on the verge of war with Germany and I believe those of German descent in the United States will remain loyal."

Mr. Gerard expressed disappointment at the utter lack of preparedness in the United States after two years of

war conditions. He explained that Germany had 12,000,000 men under arms, and they often took prisoner in a single day more men than were in the whole American army.

Position in Germany.

London, March 18.—The "Daily Telegraph's" correspondent at Amsterdam says that while the pinch of hunger is felt in Germany, it is easy to exaggerate the importance of the hunger riots and other manifestations. These will not change the policy of the German authorities, who place the army first, the economic future second, and the women and children last, or nowhere. Germany is still able to pile up foodstuffs for the army.

Zeppelin's Death.

Philadelphia, March 9.—Countess Anna Dagenfeld, the late Count Zeppelin's niece, is of opinion that Zeppelin's death was due indirectly to the failure of the balloons to accomplish the purposes for which he intended their invention. The Countess recently received a letter from Zeppelin, in which the Count expressed regret that the balloons had not been more effective over British cities.

Situation in Greece.

Washington, March 18.—Reports from American representatives abroad indicate that the Russian revolution may lead to stronger measures being taken to deal with the King of the

Hellenes; perhaps his abdication may follow.

The collapse of Turkey is reported probable in view of the condition of the country and ensuing British victories.

Airman's Thrilling Feat.

London, March 16.—A thrilling aviation feat has been accomplished at Brooklands. He looped the loop sideways, wing over wing, making the biplane revolve like a windmill. The feat was commenced at a height of 1500 ft., and continued until within 300 ft. of the ground, when the machine was gracefully righted, and the airman soared upwards.

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