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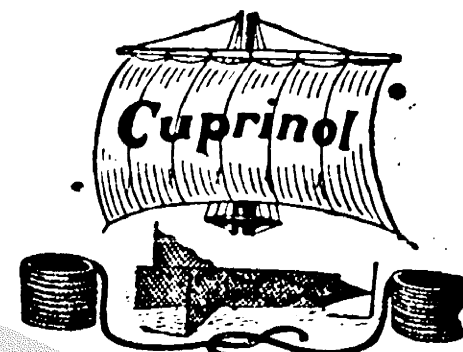
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IN THE WEST.

June 22.
The Germans made further gains west of Fort Vaux.

June 23.
British attacks east of Ypres failed. Our reconnoitring parties successfully raided the enemy's positions at Libons, Assigny and Maison de Champaigne. They inflicted considerable losses on the enemy and returned with several dozen prisoners.

French counter-attacks against our newly won positions west of Fort Vaux were repulsed. 24 officers and 400 men were taken prisoners in this locality since the 21st of June.

French aeroplanes raided yesterday the open towns of Karlsruhe, Muelheim, Baden-Baden and Trier. They dropped a number of bombs without doing any military damage. 4 aeroplanes were shot down; 5 more hostile aeroplanes were brought down yesterday on different parts of the front.

June 24.
East of the Meuse the Germans have made a very successful attack against the heights of Froideville and the adjoining eastern district. The armoured fortress work of Thiaumont and the greater part of the village of Fleury were captured. Our troops even penetrated beyond the Thiaumont work. Further progress was made south of Fort Vaux. Up to now 69 officers and 2615 men passed through our collecting stations.

Lieutenant Mitgent has shot down another hostile aeroplane bringing his total up to 11.

IN THE EAST.

June 22.
Berlin, June 22.
On the front of Hindenburg's army the situation is unchanged. Reconnoitring parties entered the enemy's trenches and brought back prisoners. Linsingen's army has captured Russian positions between Sokul and Sinieka.

All attempts of the Russians to regain their lost positions northwest of Lutsk were unsuccessful. The Russians have been further pushed back on both banks of the Turija and further south across the general line Swinjuch-Gorochow.

The troops under Bothmer have bloodily repulsed numerous strong attacks against the line Hajvoronka-Bobulinoe north of Przewloka.

Vienna, June 22.
Russian attacks at Gurahumora were repulsed. The enemy's attacks west of Winiowczyk and at Burkanow broke down under our curtain fire with heavy losses.

The allied troops made further progress north of Gorochow.

June 23.
Berlin, June 23.

Linsingen's troops are steadily advancing. Russian attacks against the line

Bereeteczek-Brody were completely repulsed.

Berlin, June 24.
Linsingen's troops have reached the line Subilno-Vatyn-Zwiniacz; the number of prisoners taken is continually increasing.

Only minor engagements on the front of Bothmer's army.

OVERSEA SERVICE.
Berlin, June 22.
East of Kasri-Shirin and north of Bane the Turks have driven the Russians further east.

On the 19th of June three British aeroplanes were shot down at El-Arish. 2 of the occupants were taken prisoners.

June 21.
The famous aviator Immelmann has been killed by a fall from an aeroplane on the western front.

The French report of June 18th contains the assertion that on the 17th, 7 German aeroplanes were brought down. In contradiction of this assertion the special correspondent of the Lokal-anzeiger at the front has been authorized to state that on the 17th not one German aeroplane was brought down either before, above or behind the German lines.

Exchange of Prisoners.

The exchange of British and German wounded prisoners-of-war took place at Flushing recently. The German Red Cross train bringing the Britishers arrived first. There were 94 of them, including 5 insane men. As far as Brussels 14 Belgian invalided soldiers had accompanied them. There was much complaint of bad treatment and food in Germany, although some improvement had lately been noticeable. The patients were made comfortable in a shed that had been prepared for their reception, until they could be taken on board the hospital ship.

A few hours later the British hospital ship *St. Denis*, the former Antwerp-Harwich mail-steamer *Manich*, arrived with 103 Germans. Amongst these were also a few who had become insane. They were at once taken to the Red Cross train, made comfortable and given refreshments. About 6 p.m. the British invalids took their place on board the *St. Denis*.

A correspondent, who paid a visit to the ship, is full of praise of the adequate arrangements for the care of the patients. There are 365 shockproof beds, two lifts to facilitate the transportation of the wounded and excellent hygienic appliances. A maximum of 500 wounded men can be carried at a time.

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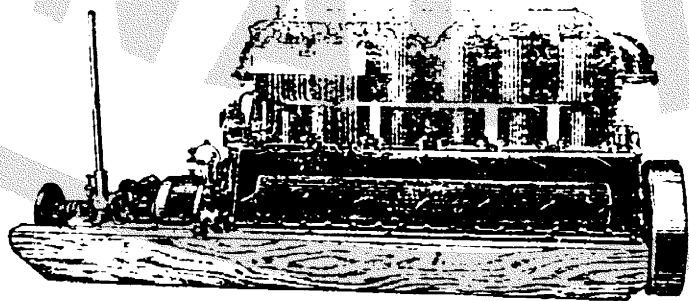
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The Siam Observer.

SATURDAY, JULY 8, 1916.

RECRUITING AND FOOD SUPPLY.

Mr. J. H. Thomas, M.P. recently dwelt strongly upon the subject of Britain's Food Supply and he practically recommends that all recreation grounds and golf links be immediately converted into market gardens! From his remarks one gathers that there is some disaffection existing among the workers regarding the increase in prices of food-stuffs. Mr. Thomas is practically representative of working people and openly declares that enormous profits are being made by firms and individuals in the trade and his advice to the Government on the one hand is to tackle the problem of the reduction of these profits and on the other hand, to the Board of Agriculture, to take sufficient care of the labour on the land. The question of an adequate food supply should be the predominant question of the moment, and therefore there should be no shortage in labour, which would result in small harvests and a consequent advance in existing prices. "It is therefore," says Mr. Thomas, "the paramount duty of the country to deal with the problem of food supply in a scientific and businesslike fashion. If necessary, food prices must be controlled, and every yard of available space must be utilised for the production of food. Food is the prime necessity, and it must be grown wherever there is land to cultivate it." It would appear the market gardening in England which has sprung up among the working classes during the year is astonishing. The British Prime Minister announced in the House of Commons recently that the maintenance of the highest possible output of home grown food was a national object. Mr. Thomas quotes the French War Minister as follows: "The full use of the soil must be obtained at all costs, equally with the supply of men and material to the Army."

The whole of Mr. Thomas' letter appears to be written with the object of influencing the recruiting authorities to allow exemptions on the ground of the necessities of planting and harvesting, and his arguments certainly appear to be weighty.

LOCAL AND GENERAL.

H. M. S. Bali has left for a cruise in the Gulf and will be back in two or three weeks.

A FIRE broke out at Hua Lampong in the early hours of the morning today. It was got under before much damage was done.

YESTERDAY night while Luang Sunthorn Kosa and his family were out at the cinematograph thieves entered their house and carried away a considerable amount of property. The theft was discovered upon their return home.

A CORRESPONDENT writes: The Tsar of Russia was able with one stroke of the pen to make the people teetotal as far as vodka was concerned, because there were in Russia 4,000 State distilleries, and 28,000 spirit shops, and all these were closed at once.

To-morrow the remains of the late mother-in-law of Nai Peng Ngao of Sin Siam Hah, Yawarat Road, will be taken in procession from her residence in Rajawongse Road to the premises of the Chino-Siam Steam Navigation Co. The cortege will leave the house of the deceased at 11 a.m. and will be accompanied with a European String Band, 2 Siamese bands and Chinese music. On arrival at the company's landing the remains will be placed on board the s.s. "Drufar" for conveyance to China. The steamer is scheduled to leave at 3.30 p.m.

The Tin Market.

("S. O." SPECIAL CORRESPONDENT.)
Singapore, July 8.
Tin is quoted at \$34. There are no sellers.

PADDY REPORT FOR JULY 7.

Nakorn 1390 coyans at Tes.	82.104 each
Samruang 880 " " "	75.82 "
Namman 190 " " "	73.74 "
Total Coyans	2460 "

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BY
Nemo.

Since my note of the possibilities of Bangkok owing to the fact of the Paknam Company running an electric car to this place every quarter of an hour or so, quite a number of Bangkok landowners are taking glances at the district with a view to build summer houses etc. What I should like to suggest to some philanthropist is the building of some small detached dwellings for Siamese clerks and others who could live in health and comfort and at the same time relieve the congestion in the city.

At an auction held yesterday at the Harbour Master's Office a small sea-going launch, the Yotha, about sixty feet long was knocked down for Ticals 3,400 I think. This vessel was built some ten years ago by the Bangkok Dock Company for the Gendarmerie then under Major General Phya Vasudhoo and cost something in the neighbourhood of Ticals Forty thousand. The boiler and engine took up so much of the space of the vessel that there was very little left for other purposes and hence the sale.

Some time ago people laughed at the idea suggested in the Observer of building large ships in Siam. I do not see why this idea should not be taken up by the Navy or by some capitalists. If the rumour is true that the Japanese building firms have asked for too much for the building of a new yacht and that other building yards in foreign parts are too busy, the time is exceedingly opportune for Bangkok to establish a shipbuilding yard. Many years back the Macleans, I think, had such a yard, of course for sailing ships. I should think the Dock Company, either alone or in co-operation with the Navy, ought to be able to take up this project. This will make a Siam National Shipping Company, which was projected two years ago, an accomplished fact. The Bangkok Dock Company has a fair shipbuilding staff and with augmentations to their number from Hongkong, Japan and America, the job of getting up a first class yard will not be such a difficult one after all. There is the Royal Yacht and the Navy League Cruiser, which, with as good a building staff obtained as any in the Far East, ought to come in nicely as the pioneer contracts of the Bangkok Shipbuilding and Docking Company Limited.

I heard it said that once the Huay lottery was discontinued the earnings of jinnick-hos, and of the tramway companies in Bangkok would fall considerably. I have it on good authority that so far as the tramways are concerned the discontinuance of the Huay lottery has had no ill effects as regards earnings and that on the contrary the earnings have increased by comparison with those of last year. I wonder what this is due to? Personally I think that the stangs which went to the Huay farmer now go in part to augment tramway earnings.

I hear a difficulty has cropped up in connection with the registration of the Bangkok Dock Company as a limited liability company under the Law of Partnerships and Companies. This is a curious one and of which local company promoters must take note. While it is possible under most company acts to register a company made up of so much in share capital and so much in debentures, this apparently is not possible in Bangkok. You have first of all to register your company with so much share capital, and after the company is duly registered you may by a special resolution issue debentures up to an amount not exceeding the principal. The Bangkok Dock Company has therefore to call in all debentures and then only could it be registered according to law.

Shooting.

To-morrow, Sunday the 9th inst., the members of the Shooting Section will compete for the Championship Cup presented by T. Margrett Esq.

Twenty five birds will be thrown to each gun in lots of five so that as far as is possible each gun will have a complete series of traps.

Each competitor will stand at 18 yards.

The following names have been entered, but the list will not close until 1.30 p.m. on the day of the Competition:—

F. Campbell, E. G. Gollo, C. L. Groundwater, A. J. Irwin, J. J. McBeth, P. Nesbitt, C. P. Norman, T. H. Pollard. The entrance fee is Tes. 3, and there will be a Club Sweep of 250 tickets, at Tes. 2 each, to be drawn at the Shooting Hut at 4.30 p.m.

There will be a Tote on the event which will close on Completion of the 10th round.

Shooting will commence at 4.45 p.m. sharp.

The Tie for the June Cup, between F. Campbell and C. L. Groundwater will be shot off the same afternoon.

THE Great War.

French Resume Offensive.

(REUTER'S TELEGRAM.)

London, July 7.
Paris Communiqué.—We resumed the offensive north of the Somme and captured the second German position east of Curlu, a front of two kilometres. We repulsed counter-attacks south of the Somme and finally drove the Germans from Estrees. We now hold the whole of the second German position south of the Somme, a front of ten kilometres.

Five hundred more prisoners have been taken.

There were only intermittent bombardments at Verdun.

Allies Capture 15,000 Prisoners.

(HABAS TELEGRAM.)

Paris, July 6.
Yesterday we took on the north and south of the Somme the second German position on a front of twelve kilometres. We captured 500 prisoners. The British made progress between the Somme and the Ancre.

The total number of prisoners taken by the Franco-British front since 1st July exceeds 15,000.

To-day there were actions to the north of the Somme without any notable change.

The total number of cannon captured by the French amounted to 76. We took several hundred machine-guns.

Russians Cut Important Railway Line.

(REUTER'S TELEGRAM.)

London, July 7.
Petrograd.—The Russians routed the enemy on the right bank of the Dniester. South of Buczak they cut the railway line which runs through Delatyn Pass into Korosmezo in Hungary.

(HABAS TELEGRAM.)

Paris, July 6.
Petrograd.—We overthrew the enemy west of Kolki and captured 500 prisoners, three cannon, seventeen machine-guns and thousands of rifles.

We repulsed the enemy on the Lipa river and took 257 prisoners.

We took 800 prisoners south of the Dniester in the village of Sadzavket.

Church Services.

Assumption Church.

July the 9th. 4th Sunday after Pentecost.
5.20 a.m. 1st Mass.
6.10 a.m. 2nd Mass for the Native Community.
8 a.m. 3rd and last Mass for the Foreign Community.
4 p.m. Rosary, and Benediction of the Most Holy Sacrament.
Week Days.
5.30 a.m. 1st Mass.
6 a.m. 2nd and last Mass.
Devotion of the Month: The Most Precious Blood of our Lord.

Christ Church.

Service for 3rd Sunday after Trinity.
Early Celebration at 8 a.m.
Evensong at 6 p.m.
Processional Hail to the Lord's Hymn Anointed.
Psalm: 49 Chant... Earl of Mornington.
Magnificat and Nunc Dimittis E flat.
Hymns: Jesu, Lover of my soul.
O God of love, O King of peace.
Hark! hark, my son!
Vesper: With Thy Benediction.

S. Mary's Mission.

Sunday, July 9.—3rd Sunday after Trinity.
9 a.m.—Holy Communion and Sermon.
Hymns: Come, let us join our cheerful songs: Praise to the Holiest in the height: Jesu, Thou Joy of loving hearts: Author of life Divine: Jesu, gentlest Saviour.
4 p.m.—Sunday School.
Wednesday, July 12.
6.30 p.m.—Short Service of Prayer for those engaged in the War.

Riots in Munich.

London, June 19.—Travellers from Munich state that there was grave rioting there on Friday and Saturday. A large crowd, including soldiers, marched through the streets shouting, "Down with the war. Let us have peace." Many stones were thrown. The police made several charges.

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.")

An Interesting Interview.

(Unofficial.)

London, July 6.
Major General Maurice, Director of Military operations of the British General Staff, interviewed by a representative of the Associated Press of America said: "All the time of the desperate fighting on the Verdun front we were fulfilling the role requested by General Joffre. According to Joffre's plan we conserved our troops and accumulated supplies and waited for the word for the grand offensive, in which we were to play our part in concert with the Russians and Italians. We are enormously pleased with the wonderful progress made by the French who with comparatively light losses are sweeping forwards to the Somme towards the south.

The Germans evidently believed that our Allies would be kept too busy before Verdun to participate seriously in the western offensive. Consequently they made extensive preparations before the British front while comparatively neglecting the southern sector held by the French. We are well satisfied with our advance. We shall continue with our artillery, as we have no intentions of knocking our heads against a stone wall. We are meeting with strenuous opposition, but our progress will most certainly be deliberate. Many places like Fricourt will be taken only after overcoming desperate opposition. That our Allies should advance faster with smaller losses than we is not only a fortune of war, but may be called poetic justice, since they lost so heavily during the long weeks while we were getting ready to take our share in the great offensive. South of the Somme the Germans were completely surprised. Our Allies will get through to the river without much loss. In that region you may look for immediate developments, as the fighting there is now in open field formation, for the last of the enemy's works has been captured. Farther South and farther North our line is not beyond the series of German defences, but we are in immediate contact with strongly fortified places, and the initiative, so long in their hands, has now been lost by the armies of the Central Powers."

Earldom for Sir Edward Grey.

London, July 6.

(Official.)

The King has conferred an Earldom upon Sir Edward Grey and has approved of the appointment of Mr. Lloyd George as Secretary for War.

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Personal.

Phya Indra Montri (Mr. Giles) of the Revenue Department who has been for sometime at Koh Lak on Government work returned to Bangkok a few days ago. He hopes to leave on his holiday for Japan about the 21st instant.

Mr. Trotter has received a telegram to-day to say that his son, Second Lieut. Percy Trotter, who was wounded at the front on June 30, is making good progress towards recovery. The young officer's wounds are on the head and legs and he has now been removed to London.

In Other Days.

Glimpses of Bangkok Twenty-Two Years Ago.

(Week Ending Sunday July 8, 1894.)

The Dysentery Epidemic.—By order of Dr. Nightingale, who had been hastily called down to see them, six of the crew of the *Cambuneth*, lying at Koh-si Chang, started for here on a lighter, having been attacked with dysentery. One died on the way up, and was thrown overboard; the rest were sent to hospital. Capt. Williams, the master of the ship is laid up also.

Another Hotel.—There is quite a boom in the hotel line just now. On Sunday last Mr. Korndorff, of the City Hotel, yesterday Sir Ventura inaugurated his *restaurant* in Bua Lane; and Mr. Daneberg is looking out for an eligible site for a third place of public entertainment.

Flogging the Fever Devil.—A report was made to the police on Friday that a Siamese employed at the Borneo Co's mill had died. It seems that he had fever, and the Siamese doctor whose aid he invoked diagnosed the case as one of devils, which could be cured by a strong dose of the rattan. He flogged his patient so lustily, however, that he killed him. An investigation is being held as to whether the man really died of fever, or of the effects of the rattan.

The Pahang Rebellion.—The gunboat *Yun Yot* will probably leave for Kelantan to-day or to-morrow, to convey a Special Commissioner appointed to help in the suppression of the rebels—or at any rate to issue orders forbidding any assistance being rendered to them. The Governor of Singapore is also going back to his province, in the *Gladyes*.

Tuesday's Walking Match.—A considerable number of spectators attended at the Pree-man Ground on Tuesday evening to witness the four mile pedestrian competition between Arthur Hancock, the 50 mile champion, and eight tars from H.M.S. *Swift*. The latter had only to cover half-a-mile each, one starting where his predecessor left off. None of them really pressed the professional, though, and he came in a couple of furlongs to the good in the (for him) fair time of 35 minutes. If the purse now being subscribed is sufficiently well ballasted another contest of the same kind will probably be organised shortly.

Celebrating.—The anniversary of the foundation of the German Club was celebrated with much festivity on Saturday night by the members and a number of their friends. An excellent supper was provided, and the evening was beguiled by hearty festivity.

Coming and Going.—Yesterday Mr. Maxwell, engineer of Clark and Co.'s sawmill, left for Europe by the *Gorgon*, after a residence here of four years. Mr. J. S. Black of the British Consulate, left for Java by the same boat, for a month's holiday. Mr. Mrs. and Miss Daneberg arrived on Sunday from California, by the *Borneo*.

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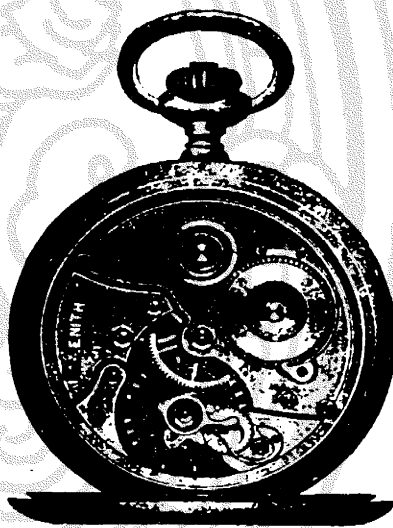
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How the British Fleet Helped Russia.

London, June 20.—The victory of Czernowitz is being rapidly followed up, and the Austrians are in full retreat. No further progress at other points is reported, and the Austrians, aided by a considerable number of Germans, are making efforts to stem the Russian advance of Kovel and Lemberg.

General Brussiloff informed a "Times" correspondent that, if the Russians are able to take Kovel, the whole Eastern Front will have to fall back, as Kovel is a railway centre, which has been extraordinarily useful for inter-communication. The Germans and Austrian-Germans are supporting Kovel with all available troops but it is impossible for them to send a huge force like last year. The fall of Czernowitz must have a profound effect on Rumania and the Balkans. This is only the beginning of our Summer campaign; the general situation is further improved by the British Fleet's action which was unquestionably a victory for our Allies, for the Germans were forced to retire to their bases abandoning whatever project prompted their manoeuvre while the British still firmly hold the blockade.

The "Morning Post" says: "Petrograd correspondent states the Russian successes are largely due to a new Russian shell which admits of no effective defensive reply."

The "Central News" says the effectiveness of the Russian artillery is due to the use of Japanese guns—the most powerful in the world.

The "Zuricher Post" correspondent at Austrian Headquarters says fighting of an unparalleled severity has developed north of the Pripiet. Russian attackers are protected by Belgian armoured cars.

The Exodus from Czernowitz.

London, June 19.—A Reuter message from Bern describes the civilian exodus from Czernowitz as degenerating into the wildest panic. Great crowds besieged the station. Some persons rode on the roofs of departing trains. The arrival in Vienna and Budapest of hundreds of fugitives caused the deepest depression in both capitals.

The "Daily Express" correspondent at Geneva states that Austria, finding Germany unable to aid her effectively, appealed to Bulgaria, who sent several divisions to Czernowitz. General Mackensen has arrived at the Front, and immediately ordered a retreat from Pinsk, which was enabled by the Russians. According to reports received in Paris the Russians are now within forty-four miles of Lemberg.

Threatened North and South.

The "Central News" Zurich correspondent states that Austrian military writers are plainly preparing public opinion for further bad news, hinting that Von Bothmer's army is threatened (from the north by the Russians near Brody, and from the south by columns which have crossed the Strypa) and may have to retire in its entirety.

The "Rusko Slova" correspondent at the Front states that in the engagements around Krovo there were many cases of Germans surrendering in groups with their officers. In the earlier stages of the war this never happened. One of these officers explained that he surrendered owing to the spiritless condition of his men caused principally by hunger; and added: "It is very difficult to keep control over hungry soldiers." The maintenance of discipline has become more and more onerous.

Sapping at Sannai-Yat.

Basrah, June 18.—Mesopotamia, 16th June: In the action of 9th June at Badar, in the northern region of Hammar Lake on the Euphrates, our total casualties were two bluejackets slightly wounded. The enemy lost 23 killed, including a son of the Shaikh of the Abu-Salih tribe, which has been causing us constant annoyance, cutting our telegraph line, and making a punitive expedition necessary.

Trench Warfare.

Silma, June 20.—General Lake reports that on the night of June 16th-17th, the enemy made successful attempts to bomb our saps in front of Sannai-Yat.

The Verdun Failure.

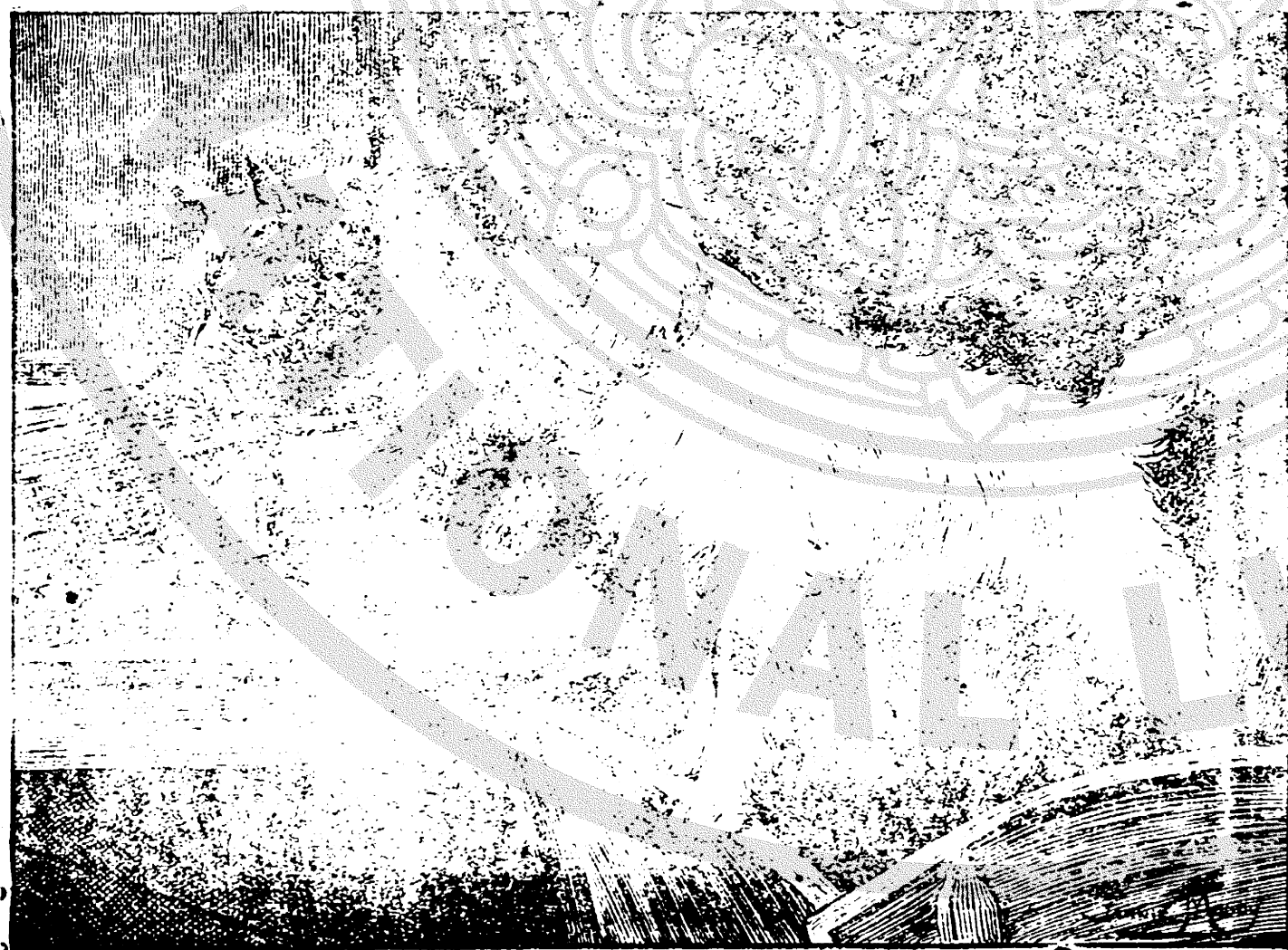
London, June 19.—Mr. Warner Allen, reviewing the Verdun attack as the end of the fourth month approaches, says the Germans realised in February, that it was for them a supreme necessity to anticipate the Allies' concerted attack. They have not only failed to destroy the French Army, but have not altered a jot of the scheme decided upon by the Allied Government.

German Food Shortage.

London, June 19.—An Exchange correspondent at Amsterdam states that the meat rations in Berlin this week will be 300 instead of 360 grammes.

The Central News correspondent at Amsterdam says that Leipzig is wholly without potatoes. In several parts of Germany, the food crisis is extremely serious.

The "Kölnische Volkszeitung" anticipates weeks of still greater difficulty.



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The Mad Torpedo.

An "expert" returns to the subject of the "Tubantia" in the "Nieuwe Rotterdamsche Courant," prefacing his remarks by pointing out why the German torpedo fired on March 6 must have been again fired. He continues:—

Assuming that a German vessel picked up the torpedo and after some time fired it again, the question arises why the torpedo did not sink as it ought to have done. A layman might attribute this to a faulty working of the mechanism, but experts will not differ in their view that the sinking apparatus was here intentionally put out of action. As every fish torpedo is constructed for war purposes, it is normal that after the torpedo has run its course the sinking valve is opened. If in case of peace practice or tests this is not desired a special manipulation is necessary to put the apparatus out of action, whereby the torpedo comes to the surface. Thus the putting out of action of the apparatus cannot be due to inadvertence, and in that case the order must have been given to depart from what was internationally agreed upon with a view to the torpedo remaining afloat. The motive for this is clear. In the first place, it saves labour and material, as the great use of torpedoes in the past stage of the submarine war naturally demands much work for the manufacture of replacing material, explosives, etc. But what seems to us of much more importance is that a torpedo vessel can remain at sea longer by again utilising the fired torpedoes when these miss their aim.

IS THERE ROOM FOR DOUBT?

After the facts of which we have certain knowledge, and after the above-described views, in connection with the refusal of the German Government to permit a full examination of everything bearing on the matter, can it be doubtful who torpedoed the "Tubantia"? The only thing that appears to us incomprehensible is that the German Government does not choose to disavow an action of one of its commanders, to acknowledge guilt and accept the consequences of that action, rather than make a partial acknowledgment of the truth, whereby the matter is in no sense solved but which will not prevent both laymen and experts remaining convinced that a German submarine or torpedo-boat commander destroyed the "Tubantia." May our forceful Government succeed in convincing the German Government of this.

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Russia's Great Victories**Sir Edward Grey's Tribute to Russian Valour.**

At the present time, when the splendid achievements of the Russian armies excite the fear of our enemies and the admiration of all other nations, it is worth quoting the following from a recent issue of The Times:—

At the end of May, 1916, the members of the Delegation of the Russian Imperial Council and Imperial Duma (the Parliament of Russia) were entertained in London at the Mansion House by the Lord Mayor of London.

Sir Edward Grey, speaking on behalf of His Majesty's Government, emphasised the point that, in spite of what our enemies tried to make out, there was complete unanimity between the Allies, who shared a common cause—and a common danger, and were united by a common effort.

Sir Edward Grey after declaring that England had proved her determination to conquer in conjunction with the Allies and had recently brought in a Military Service Bill to make that effort more complete—went on to say "I do believe to-day that the whole manhood of this nation is being applied to those services which are essential for the carrying on of the war: and I trust our Russian guests have also realised how deep and how heartfelt is the appreciation and admiration of this country for the courage and achievements of the Russian army. (Cheers). We know very well the difficulties with which they have to contend. We know how furious and concentrated at times have been the attacks made upon them. We know under what disadvantageous conditions they have had to meet their opponents, and we know that no disadvantages, no conditions however temporarily disadvantageous have been able to break the Russian army. (Cheers). We are ourselves encouraged and stimulated by their deeds. We gladly recognise that at critical times and in critical places the success and achievements of the Russian army have been of incalculable service to the cause of the Allies."

Rainfall.

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

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" Singhuburi	"	5 1.3 "
" Sraburi	"	5 1.1 "

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MONDOL NAGOR SVARGA.

At Kambaengbejra	July	5 5.7 "
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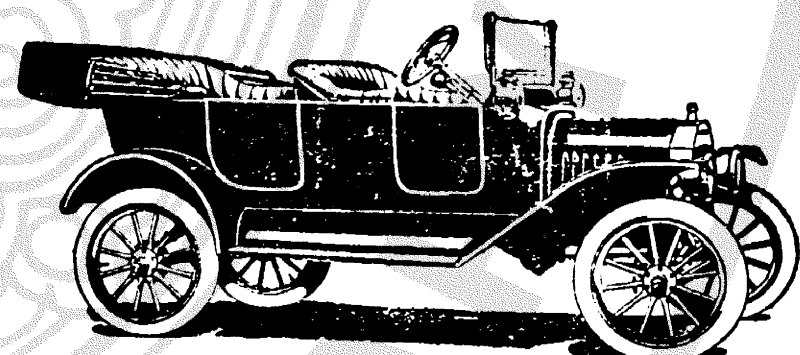
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Turkey and Arabia. India and the Revolt.

The news that by a dramatic stroke on the part of Mahomedans Turkish rule has been banished from the holy places of Arabia, will be received with satisfaction, especially by Mahomedans in Egypt and India. Only a few weeks ago intending pilgrims were warned of the dangers of the journey to Mecca. British subjects had nobody to protect their interests on the trying land journey. Those who land the misfortune to be in the Hedjaz when war broke out suffered extreme privations. Now, like a bolt from the blue, come the identical announcements from Cairo and Simla; the ports are open and pilgrims will have the opportunity of making the Haj. The Sharifs, the reputed descendants of the Prophet, backed by the Bedouin, who have never acquiesced in the Turkish pretensions in that region, have captured all the ports; the birth-place of the Prophet, Taif, the administrative capital, some sixty miles south-east of Mecca; and the burial place of Mahomed is expected to follow suit. Turkey is so much occupied elsewhere that she cannot hope to make any serious effort to stem the revolution and she must submit with what grace she can to the loss of territory and the heaviest blow that could have been given to her prestige in the Mahomedan world.

Constantinople and the Sultan of Turkey are little more than names to the Mahomedans of India and Egypt; but to Mecca every Mahomedan turns daily in his devotions and it is the ambition of every one of the faithful to visit it before he dies. The Sultan of Turkey, deprived of the control of the cradle of the faith, will be of little greater importance to followers of the Prophet, who are not his subjects, than the Shah of Persia, the Senussi, the Sultan of Darfur, or Khans of Central Asia. The Sharifs, the privileged religious class, were the rulers till a century ago. Through the intervening period the Turks have steadily striven to deprive them of their power but even in recent years the Grand Sharif was de facto ruler in all religious affairs. Nominal though the Turkish control was it has been irksome and cruel and the Sharifs and the Bedouin seized the opportunity of Turkey's entanglements to wipe off old scores. No doubt the practical cessation of pilgrimages since the outbreak of war has hit the inhabitants very heavily, and the suspension of all trade has also pressed severely on the country.

Whatever the causes, the results are sufficiently startling. From a great territory stretching along the Red Sea

The Importance of Shells.

London, May 26.—Major Norton Griffiths M.P., after fourteen months at the front, makes a striking appeal to munition makers through the "Weekly Dispatch." He says that the next six months will be the most critical time in the whole war. "We are passing rapidly to our zenith and the enemy's effort is ever increasingly violent. We shall be in the gravest danger if caught short of ammunition or guns with the enemy commanding apparently unlimited supplies. Whitsun holidays, with the inevitable curtailment will be little short of murder for the Tommies in the trenches. This is a gun war. Verdun has proved that. Any shortage will be fatal. Men without guns and shells do not count. Shortages in the past meant the sacrifice of thousands of lives. We never until recently had guns or ammunition approaching anywhere near the total available against us. All these long months we have been struggling to equalise conditions. Now we are on the right road to overtaking the Germans. I do not believe we are going to be let down because munition makers are determined to take their holidays. Science in gun reading enables the enemy to discover your weaknesses—whether you are conserving ammunition or awaiting guns. Let munition makers treat themselves to the best of all holidays—one enjoyed by the mind from a sense of duty done, giving the mind a rest from the terrible thought that slackness on their part has compromised safety. If we all play up well, we shall put our soldiers well on to their goal. If there is any slackness, I fear to contemplate the consequences. It is just as serious.

coast from the Yemen to the peninsula of Suez, the Turks have been expelled by their co-religionists. All communications in Eastern Arabia both by sea and land, including the Hedjaz railway, are in the hands of the successful revolutionaries; and in that part of the world all roads lead to the holy places. The neighbouring province to the south, the Yemen, has long been a thorn in the flesh of Turkey. A serious revolution had hardly been overcome after years of fighting when the present war broke out, and it would not be surprising if the province made another attempt to throw off the Turkish yoke, now that the Hedjaz has been won. —Rangoon Gazette.

Big Campaign in 1917.

London, May 24.—After Mr. Asquith's speech on the new vote of credit for £300,000,000 for army and navy, Colonel Churchill delivered a speech that made a deep impression on a none too friendly audience. Colonel Churchill stated that in his view the war would last a long time yet and that there would be a lengthy campaign in 1917. He urged the Government to take measures accordingly. Britain, he said, had not a sufficient number of men in the fighting line. There were five groups of people from which the Government could draw soldiers to strengthen the fighting line namely: (1) the able-bodied men behind the fighting line, such as the officers' orderlies, more particularly in the cavalry; (2) the main army in Britain. This could be considerably reduced, for an invasion in Britain was pretty well impossible; (3) the armistice in the east, where about 500,000 men were being wasted; (4) the resources in Africa; (5) the even greater resources in British India. The Germans had formed powerful bodies of natives in East Africa. Britain had done too little in that direction. And what was there in the way of forming ten or twelve Indian divisions for the 1917 campaign?



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Ayuthia	Arr.	9.3	11.11	3.33	5.45	Chang	Dep.
Ban Phaji	Arr.	9.17	12.20	4.24	6.30	Den Chai	...	12.38	...
Ban Phaji	Dep.	9.57	12.37	4.30	...	Pha Sao	...	7.1	2.21
Lopburi	Arr.	11.5	1.55	5.48	...	Utaradit	...	7.18	2.40
Chengket	Dep.	12.33	3.38	Ban Dara	Arr.	8.16	3.26
Pak'poh	Arr.	2.17	5.10	...	9.5	Sawalohe Dep.	...	7	2.10
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Ban Dara	Dep.	...	9.20	4.40	...	Pak'poh Arr.	6.20	...	7.45
Sakolke	Arr.	...	10.21	5.41	...	Pak'poh Dep.	...	3.52	...
Ban Dara	Dep.	...	9.10	4.36	...	Chengket Arr.	6.21	...	9.22
Tha Sao	Arr.	...	10.5	5.29	...	Lopburi Dep.	...	7.10	11.5
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Chang	Gengko	...	7.12	11.32
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Gengko Arr.	11.7	1.26	5.51	Ban Phaji Dep.	6.27	8.37	12.44
Korat	6.8	Ayuthia	...	7.13	9.25
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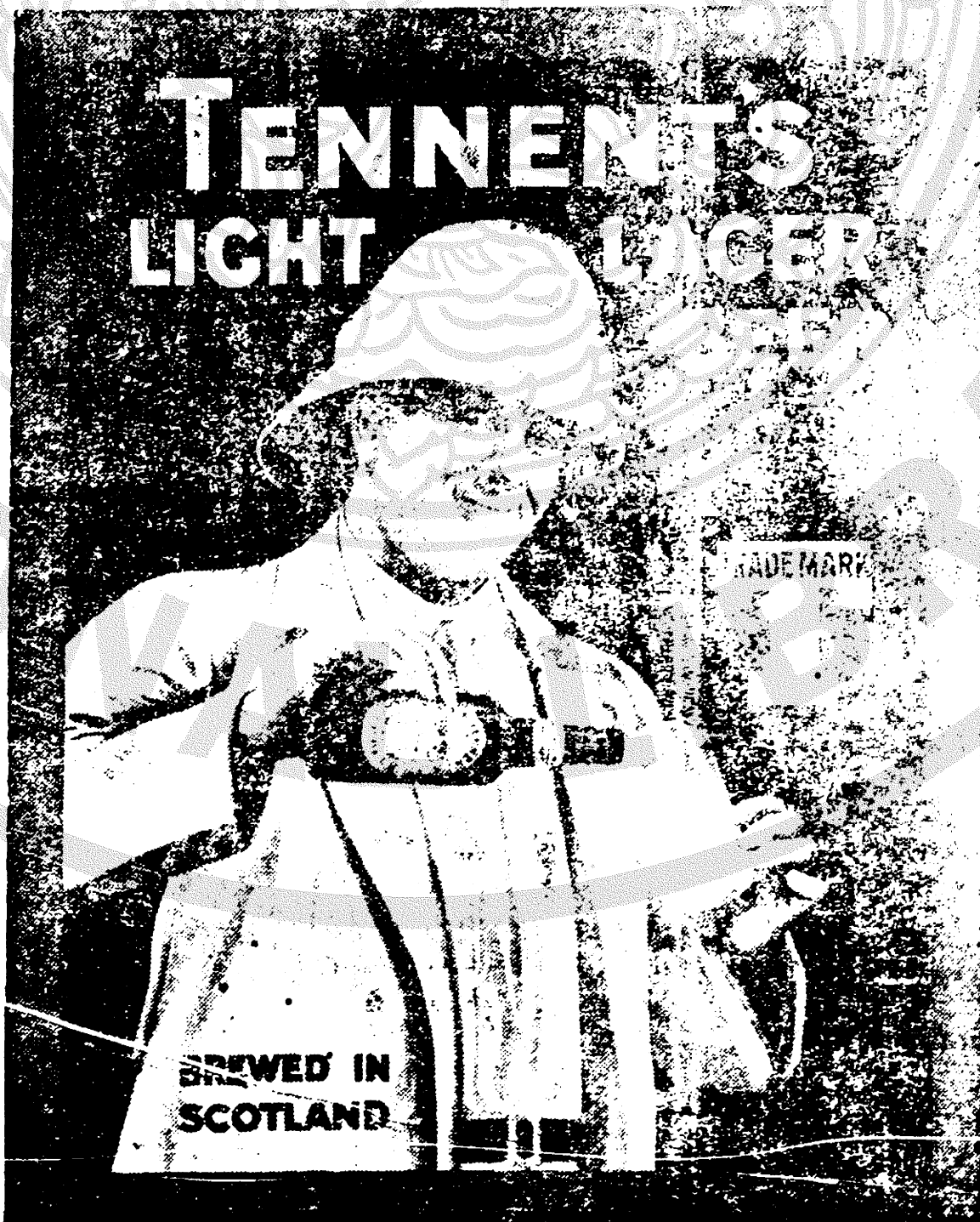
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