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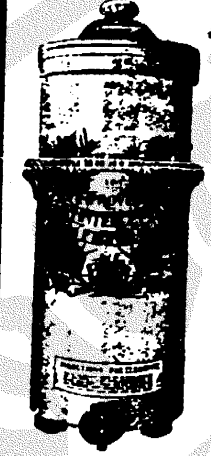
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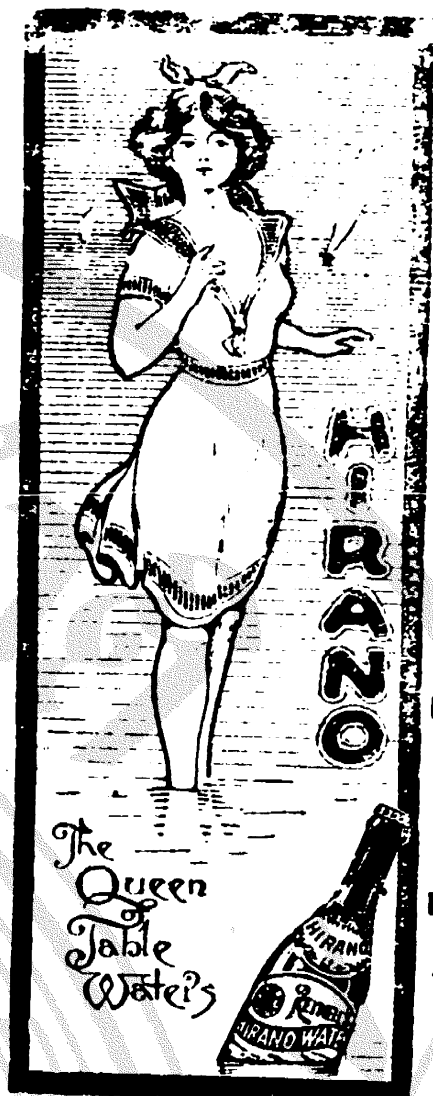
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BANGKOK BAR.
FOR MARCH 1917.

Mar.	A.M.			
	H. W.	Ft. & in.	L. W.	(Approx.)
1	7 00	14 4
2	7 00	14 2
3	7 00	14 2
4	4 00	14 4	...	...
5	4 30	14 6	...	...
6	5 00	14 8	...	...
7	5 30	14 8	...	...
8	6 00	14 10	...	...
9	6 00	15 0	...	...
10	6 00	14 10	...	...
11	6 00	14 10	1.0	7.0
12	6 30	14 10	1.0	7.0
13	7 00	14 10	2.0	7.0
14	7 00	14 6	...	...
15	7 00	14 6	...	...
16	7 00	14 6	...	...
17	7 00	14 4	...	...
18	4 00	14 8	...	...
19	4 00	14 10	...	...
20	4 00	14 10	...	...
21	4 00	14 10	...	...
22	5 00	14 10	...	...
23	5 30	14 6	...	...
24	6 00	14 3	...	...
25	6 00	14 3	...	...
26	6 00	14 2	...	...
27	6 00	14 0	...	...
28	6 00	13 8	...	...
29	6 00	13 6	...	...
30	6 00	13 6	...	...
31	6 00	13 6	...	...

Mar.	P.M.			
	H. W.	Ft. & in.	L. W.	(Approx.)
1	10 0	13 5	...	...
2	11 0	13 3	...	...
3	...	...	3.0	7.0
4	...	...	4.0	7.0
5	...	...	5.6	7.0
6	2 00	12 0	5.6	7.0
7	3 00	12 6	6.7	6.0
8	4 00	13 0	7.8	6.0
9	6 00	13 6	9.10	6.0
10	6 00	14 0	11.12	6.0
11	7 00	14 10	1.2	7.0
12	7 00	14 10	1.2	7.0
13	8 00	15 0	1.0	7.0
14	9 30	14 2	1.0	7.0
15	11 00	14 0	2.0	6.0
16	...	...	3.0	6.0
17	...	...	4.0	6.0
18	...	...	5.0	6.0
19	2 00	11 0	5.6	7.0
20	3 00	11 6	5.6	7.0
21	4 00	12 6	7.8	7.0
22	4 30	13 0	8.9	7.0
23	6 00	14 0	9.10	7.0
24	6 00	14 6	10.11	7.0
25	7 00	15 0	11.12	6.0
26	8 00	15 0	12.0	7.0
27	9 00	15 0	...	...
28	9 00	14 2	1.0	7.0
29	10 00	14 0	1.0	7.0
30	11 00	14 0	1.2	6.0

PHASES OF THE MOON.

Mar. 9th 0 Full Moon 4 h 40 m a.m.
" 16th 0 Last Quarter 7 h 15 m p.m.
" 23rd 0 New Moon 10 h 47 m a.m.
" 28th 0 First Quarter 5 h 18 m p.m.

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Discipline.

A Dominion officer writes:—I have learnt a good lot from this war. We all have—Canucks, Anzacs, and the rest of us. I have been comparing views with men and officers from Australia, Canada, South Africa, and New Zealand, and we have all agreed upon one point—namely, that we have learnt a lot more than you people at home. You have been, so far as any of us can see, taking the war as an Imperial affair, as something in which we all were and must be just as fully interested as you yourselves, without having it explained to us. The British Empire was in it up to the hilt. That was as far as you could see it, and you didn't worry about anything else. You didn't even ask us to come and help, and that is just the one thing that has tickled us. We came along for a bit of fun. Just for something like the South African affair. For a bit of sport, with death as the big stake. All fair play and devil take the hindmost, and we have found that it has been a grimmer bargain. But we haven't complained. That is, not as a whole. We have come back to darkened London or to muddy Salisbury Plain after a spell in the trenches, and we have cursed a country which couldn't provide a man with a drink when he wanted one or had had so many that he wanted a few more than were good for him, and we have told each other and the world at large that we had come to fight for "a country" and not for a Board of Liquor Control. But we haven't meant it.

We read a great deal in your papers about the lessons you have learnt from the Dominion soldier. But we have learnt a great deal more from you. You really are a most wonderful people. Do you know, or can't you guess, that you make us sick? You are always gassing about the great deeds of the Canadians, the Anzacs, and the rest of us. You can't stop giving us the glad hand. And all the time we know that your boys are doing most of the work. We are good for our share? Yes, that's all right. There isn't a better soldier going than a Canadian or an Anzac, or an Irishman, or a Londoner, or Scot, or a Yorkshireman, Welshman, or any other member of the Imperial Forces. But most of the Army came from the three Kingdoms, and that "most" has done most of the work, and done it as well as any men who ever lived. Indeed, they have done it better than we have, because they have settled down to discipline all the time, while we are only just beginning to see that in war discipline is the only thing that counts. Discipline is a great thing. We never guessed how great it was before. It is a bigger thing than "hustle." We've all learnt that. But then you never took the trouble to tell us. You have never

told us anything, and that is why we used to hang out the sign "No English need apply." But that sign has now been pulled down and burned. As an Australian put it the other day, we shall always answer the call he heard from a trench which was discharging under a Hun bombardment. He was carrying a dispatch, and had been caught in the "strafe," had gone into a shell crater for safety, and meant to stay there until he heard a boy calling out, "Oh, Snooty, what shall I do, what shall I do?" The answer came "Come over here you young—die with me." "That was enough for me. I crawled out of my funk hole and went on with my message."

Dreams of the East.

Germany's Ambition With the Help of the Turks.

Dr. Paul Rohrbach, well-known as a leading Pan-German, and the protagonist of ruthless forward policy in the Near East, has added a new chapter to his "Deutsche Politik."

The great object of Germany must keep in sight in this war, he asserts, the consolidation of her strength in the occupied provinces of Russia and on the Baltic and in the Orient. The following (says the "Daily Chronicle") is a passage of much significance:—

"At the present stage of the war the statement will hardly meet with contradiction that the victory or defeat of Germany and of Austria-Hungary depends on whether we shall be successful in preserving and strengthening the position of Turkey."

Dr. Rohrbach goes on to point out that Asia Minor, Syria, Mesopotamia, Persia, and the Balkans will be able to supply all the wants of the Central Empires.

"With the help of our Turkish Allies we shall thus be able to keep our English and Russian enemies in check. A railway from Damascus to Cairo, and one from Angora to Erzernum, will compel Britain and Russia to respect us. Should we maintain our position in the Turkish Orient, the natural consequence will be the extension of our influence over the rest of the Mohammedan world."

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11.30, and p.m. 1.00, 2.30, 3.30 4.30, and 5.30, daily.

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Boats leave the Lock in connection with the Paknam Railway train

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ROYAL STATE RAILWAYS.

(Broad Gauge Lines.)

TIME TABLE

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Ayuthia	Arr.	9.3	11.41	3.33	5.45	Den Chai	"	7.1
Ban Phaji	Arr.	9.47	12.30	4.24	6.30	Tha Sao	"	7.18
						Utaradit	"	...	...	...	8.16
						Ban Dara	Arr.	...	...	...	a.m.
Ban Phaji	Dep.	9.57	12.37	4.30	...	Sawa'loke	Dep.	...	...	...	7.0
Lopburi	Arr.	11.5	1.55	5.48	...	Ban Dara	Arr.	...	...	...	8.1
											a.m.
Chengket	Dep.	12.33	3.38	...	a.m.						8.24
Pak'poh	Arr.	2.17	5.40	...	7.25						10.43
					9.54						a.m.
Pak'poh	Dep.	p.m.	a.m.	...	...	Ban Dara	Dep.	...	...	...	8.24
Pitsa'loke	Arr.	2.26	6.30	...	...	Pitsa'loke	Arr.	...	...	...	10.43
		6.	11.5	...	...						a.m.
Pitsa'loke	Dep.	a.m.	p.m.	...	...	Pitsa'loke	Dep.	...	...	...	1.45
Ban Dara	Arr.	7.4	2.2	...	...	Pak'poh	Arr.	...	...	...	6.20
		9.5	4.18	...	...						a.m.
											7.20
Ban Dara	Dep.	a.m.	p.m.	...	...	Pak'poh	Dep.	p.m.	a.m.	a.m.	9.32
S'kaloke	Arr.	9.20	4.40	...	...	Chengket	Arr.	6.21	...	...	7.10
		10.21	5.41	...	...	Lopburi	Dep.	...	...	...	p.m.
										...	12.21
Ban Dara	Dep.	a.m.	p.m.	...	...	Ban Phaji	Arr.	...	...	...	8.30
Utaradit	Dep.	9.10	4.26	...	...						p.m.
Tha Sao	Arr.	10.6	5.29	...	...	Korat	Dep.	p.m.	a.m.	a.m.	7.0
Den Chai	Arr.	10.15	5.38	...	...	Lat Bua Kao	Arr.	5.55	...	...	8.40
		11.57	...	...	...	Gengko	Dep.	...	...	...	7.13
Lampang	"	p.m.	...	...	...					...	11.32
		4.52	...	...	...					...	p.m.
						Ban Phaji	Arr.	...	...	...	8.22
Ban Phaji	Dep.	10.0	p.m.	p.m.	a.m.					...	a.m.
Gongkoi	Arr.	11.7	12.30	4.41	...	Ban Phaji	Dep.	6.27	8.37	12.44	...
Lat Bua Kao	Dep.	...	1.26	5.51	...	Ayuthia	"	7.13	9.25	1.23	...
		...	4.8	...	3.2	Bangkok	Arr.	9.28	11.35	3.16	...
Korat	"	...	6.2	...	10.3					...	a.m.
						Petrieu	Dep.	7.50	...	...	...
Bangkok	Dep.	a	7.45	...	p.m.	Bangkok	Arr.	9.38	...	...	...
Petrieu	Arr.	9.33	...	...	5.38						

Germany and America.

Under the heading "It is Coming" the *Manila Times* says:

Only the foolish and the purblind can refuse to see that the United States are being drawn slowly and remorselessly into the dreadful circle of the world-war. If Germany carries out her threats, America will fight, and will fight in a good cause. What is passing behind the barrier of the German censorship it is impossible to tell, but the hope that liberal counsels will prevail there is, we fear, illusory. Even the Chancellor, von Bethmann-Hollweg, has declared that he now favours a resort to ruthless submarine warfare, as offering a good prospect of success, and thus of a "victorious peace."

This year, then, is to see the German people flailing indiscriminately around them, lashing out in defiance of all that had distinguished war from mere killing. We are to be carried back to the Stone Age. And why? It was an Englishman who said:—

I do not think you Germans realise how steadily you were conquering the world before this war began. Had you given half the energy and intelligence you have spent upon this war to the peaceful conquest of men's minds and spirits, I believe that you would have taken the leadership of the world tranquilly—no man disputing.

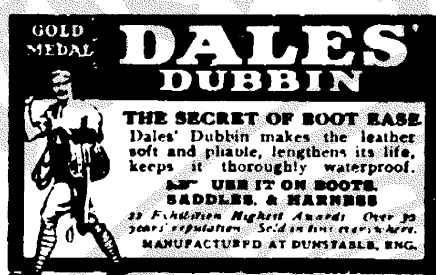
It was H. G. Wells who wrote that, in the volume he published last year. Never, he held, had it so lain in the power of a great people to lead and direct mankind towards the world-republic and universal peace. It needed but a certain generosity of the imagination. And instead—"you wanted to set the foot of an intensely national Germany."

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If America is to fight, then it goes without saying that her sons will stand together to the end. Fears of internal disorder, which some people admit, and which a few nervous Americans here have not hesitated to express, the "Times" does not believe to be justified. There may—indeed, there probably will—be attempts here and there to embarrass the United States in the assembling of their national forces, but, generally speaking, the American people

will be found united and determined. The overwhelming vote with which the Senate defeated the Works resolution, offered in criticism of the President's course of action, and the discussion which has opened between leaders of the Democratic and Republican parties as to a possible enlistment of leaders of the party not in power to act in common council with their political opponents, are recent indications of national solidarity. If the leaders of Germany are counting on internal dissensions in America as likely to effect the national decision to uphold national rights, then they will be disappointed.

Inevitable as war now seems, however, it is only natural to hope for the best, until hope is killed by the first shot. The issues of a conflict between the United States and Germany are so vast, their importance is so much greater than any mere military decision, that a resort to arms would be a world-disaster. The peoples of the earth are looking anxiously for a peace which shall hold some promise of permanency, that is to say, a peace which is not based on selfish national interests, and the United States could exert immense influence towards this end if they could hold aloof from actual fighting. The liberalism of the new world, so to speak, could be called in to redress the balance of old world feuds and hatreds. If this hope should also die, then the world is in sorry plight indeed.



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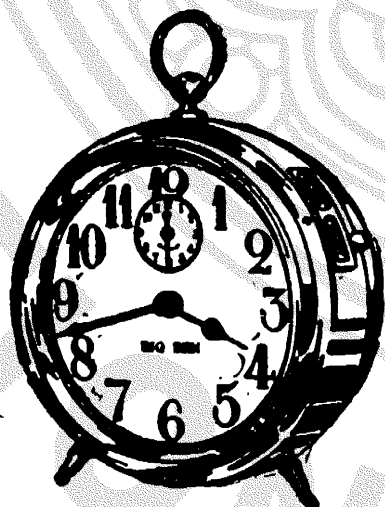
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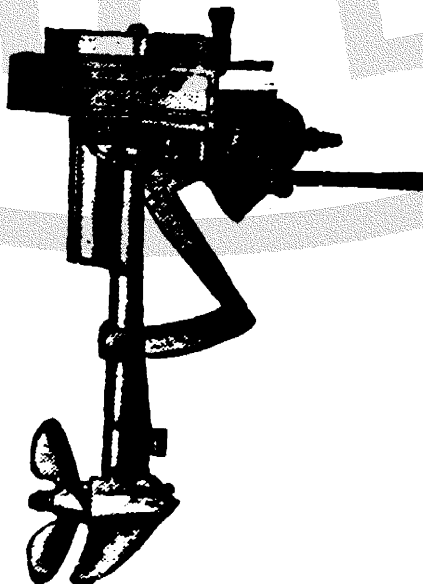
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FEMINISM AND WAR.

Amongst the messages recently telegraphed through Reuter's Agency was one to the effect that the English House of Lords has passed the second reading of a bill enabling women to practise as solicitors. This innovation, particularly in so conservative a profession as that of the Law, will doubtless horrify the sticklers for old-fashioned methods and old-time conventions. The thing itself, however, was bound to happen, and it has merely been hastened by late events. We already had women practising as doctors and sitting in mayoral chairs, and women in the pulpit are not unknown, in America at any rate. There was therefore no logical reason why women should not enter the sacred domain of Law, from which they have hitherto been so ungallantly shut out. The message to which we referred above makes no mention of the Bar, but that venerable and dignified institution cannot hope to retain its privilege as the preserve of mere men only. We are naturally speaking of the English Bar, as in some other countries women barristers already exist. It is by no means impossible that in the not very distant future up-to-date Portias may be pleading the cause of their clients in dulcet periods within the majestic walls of the English Courts of Justice. How far women will succeed in the Law it is not easy to foresee. Though the novelty of the lady-doctor has worn off, and she is no longer regarded as an abnormal being, it is a fact that she is still a person who is looked upon with curiosity and a certain amount of suspicion by the average individual, and her own sex appears to be less tolerant of her than the opposite one. Many men and women, indeed, are inclined to consider the lady-doctor as somewhat improper, and though women-doctors have now been in existence for a considerable number of years, time has not effected a great deal towards obliterating the prejudice against them, at least in England. Not so long ago it would have been tolerably safe to predict that the woman-lawyer or the woman-barrister would have been confronted with the same iron barrier of British prejudice and conservatism, and in few cases would have succeeded in breaking through. *Tempora mutantur, et nos mutamur in illis*, and one of the most remarkable developments achieved by the War has been the swift and almost complete way in which women have been brought into a line of equality with men, and have invaded those arenas which formerly were held to be men's special and particular provinces. A year or two of warfare has achieved more for the cause of true Feminism than it would have won in a long period of undisturbed peace. The effect, especially in Great Britain, has been that a radical change has taken place in social conditions, and ideas that seemed fixed and unshakable for many a long day to come have been put to confusion and dissipated. The woman has discovered for herself that her value to an employer is not necessarily less than that of a man, and that equal abilities entitle her to equal emoluments. She is likely to cling tenaciously to this principle in the future, and she will be perfectly justified in so doing. Of course the issue is complicated by a variety of considerations, and, whatever happens, it is certain that the abnormalities brought into existence by the War will be continued only to a fractional extent after Peace has been made; but in the times to come there will be few and increasingly fewer fields of energy, professional or otherwise, wherein women will be debarred from labouring merely by reason of their sex.

The Military Manoeuvres.

The Military manoeuvres in Rajaburi passed off very successfully. Those returning yesterday from Rajaburi included T. R. H. Princes Bhanurangsi, Sukothai Thamaraja, and Kambang Bejra. Among those remaining behind for a change of air are the Queen Mother, T. R. H. Princes Nagora Svarga, Chakrabongse, Devawongse and Svasti.

LOCAL AND GENERAL.

THE new German cross for civilian services was handed by the chief of the Food Board to some male and female workers.

THE Bedfordshire Agricultural Society passed a resolution in favour of an immediate Government guarantee of a minimum price for cereals for at least six years.

THE s.s. *Katong* left Singapore at 8 a.m. on Sunday the 11th inst. and may be expected to arrive at the Borneo Company's wharf to-morrow morning about 10 a.m.

AFTER a six hours' engagement, Italian gendarmes captured the band of the famous Sicilian brigand Paolo Crispi, responsible for no fewer than twenty-two murders.

THE British Government is requisitioning potatoes for troops from West Lancashire merchants and farmers. One order for 500 tons stipulated the price at £8 per ton, or whatever figure the Food Controller fixes.

THE Bombay Branch Trading Corporation, Limited, inform us that the s.s. "Mata Hari" is expected to sail for Singapore direct on Saturday afternoon, 17th March, at 3 p.m. and connects with the B.I. homeward mail of 23rd March from Singapore.

LORD St. Andrew, addressing Somerset farmers regarding labour, said if they showed their grit and pluck during the next twelve months we should win the war, but if they did nothing but grumble and refused labour substitutes, the war will go on for another year, and might possibly end in a draw.

The Al Fresco Fete.

The British Minister desires to express his warmest thanks to all those who contributed by their presence, assistance of every kind, gifts of oysters, to the great success of the recent Al Fresco Fete held at Frankfield in aid of British Red Cross Funds. His personal acknowledgments for the large number of valuable donations and contributions which have reached him from every quarter are due to all friends who have preferred to remain anonymous, as well as to those mentioned below. If any omissions or errors have unintentionally occurred in the compilation of this list, Mr. Dering trusts that the fact will be overlooked. This notice is additional to any which may be issued by the General Committee of Management.

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THE Great War.

Western Front.

(REUTER'S TELEGRAM.)

London, March 12. Field Marshal Sir Douglas Haig reports: We attacked and captured the village of Ires and the neighbouring defences. Our advance extends over a front of three miles. The prisoners amount to a considerable number, over 100 having already been counted. We captured 4 trench-mortars and 15 machine-guns. Our casualties were slight. An aerial patrol yesterday was heavily engaged by a strong hostile formation.

(Havas Telegram.)

Paris, March 12. We were successful in a coup-de-main in the region of Lassigny, Canny-sur-Matz and the Woevre, and took prisoners.

We encountered the enemy on the river Dials (?) and took part in a combat.

The British are continuing their advance on a front of five kilometres. They occupied the village of Ires, capturing numerous prisoners and much valuable material.

Belgian Relief Steamer Sunk.

(REUTER'S TELEGRAM.)

London, March 12. Lloyd's News Agency telegraphs from Cork that the Belgian relief steamer *Storstad* from Buenos Aires was submerged in daylight. Thirteen persons were landed, including an American, in two boats. Thirty men are missing. The survivors were thirty-six hours in a strong sea. The fourth engineer died from exposure. The submarine refused to tow the boats, which it shelled. The *Storstad* was the vessel which collided with the *Empress of Ireland* on May 29, 1914.

(Havas Telegram.)

Paris, March 12. London.—The *Tapeta*, a Norwegian steamer from Storstad employed in Belgian relief work, was sunk without warning. Details are not yet to hand. [There is evidently some confusion between this message and the one from Reuter's Agency.]

Russian Chief of Staff Reinstated.

(Havas Telegram.)

Paris, March 12. Petrograd.—General Altkiev (?) has been reinstated, and has resumed his duties as Chief of the General Staff.

America Will Arm Merchantmen.

(Havas Telegram.)

Paris, March 12. New York.—The Admiralty have given official instructions to arm all merchant vessels proceeding into the European war zone.

Baghdad Taken by British.

(Havas Telegram.)

Paris, March 12. The British troops have taken possession of Baghdad.

(S. O. SPECIAL CORRESPONDENT.)

Singapore, March 13. French newspapers specially draw attention to the rapidity of the advance in Mesopotamia and predict that it would deeply effect Western Asia and would probably lead to grave trouble in Turkey which must bitterly regret handing over several divisions to Germany and Bulgaria.

Congress Convoked.

(Havas Telegram.)

Paris, March 12. Washington.—President Wilson has convoked an extraordinary session of Congress for April 16.

Irish Home Rule.

(S. O. SPECIAL CORRESPONDENT.)

Singapore, March 12.

In the House of Commons the Premier said Government was prepared to grant Home Rule to those parts of Ireland clearly demanding it, but no party would support the demand that Ulster be forced. The Nationalists showed hostility and left the House.

Dardanelles Commission

(S. O. SPECIAL CORRESPONDENT.)

Singapore, March 12.

The Dardanelles Commission considered that Lord Kitchener did not avail himself sufficiently of the services of the General Staff, with the result that he undertook more work than was possible for one man, thereby causing confusion and want of efficiency.

The Fighting in France.

(Havas Telegram.)

Paris, March 12. The Germans attacked on a new front at Batte du Mesnil and Maison de Champagne. We have now ejected the enemy from all our positions, and have driven him out of the trenches on the right of the Meuse and to the north of Bois Oaurriere wherever he had penetrated them.

French Socialists.

(Havas Telegram.)

Paris, March 12. Following an interpellation on re-victualling in the Chamber of Deputies, a vote of confidence was passed by 296 to 1. The Labour Party refused to participate in the Socialist Conference fixed for March 15, and the French Socialist Party have adjourned it.

White Slave Traffic Act.

Washington, January 15.—The Supreme Court to-day—5 to 3—upheld the Mann White Slave Traffic Act in a decision affirming the lower courts in the conviction of F. Drew Caminetti and Mawry I. Diggs of California and L. T. Hays of Oklahoma. By this decision, the first delivered by the Supreme Court defining the Mann Act, the court holds that the power of Congress can be exercised not only over commercialised vice in interstate commerce but also over immoral escapades by individuals in interstate commerce. Chief Justice White and Associate Justices McKenna and Clarke dissented from this opinion. Justice McKey-nolds, who was Attorney General when the cases reached the Supreme Court, took no part in the case. The majority opinion was read by Justice Day and the dissenting opinion by Justice McKenna. Hundreds of cases all over the country have been held up pending the decision of the highest tribunal on the breadth of this law.

Congress Has Full Power. Justice Day said that Congress has full power, under the commerce clause of the Constitution, to regulate the transportation of passengers when it is proved that it is for an immoral purpose, and he declared that this opinion has been upheld by the court for nearly a hundred years.

"The plain terms of the Act must take precedence over the designation, and the report that accompanied it to Congress," said Justice Day. "It is said it will open the door to blackmail, but that is to be considered by Congress. We think the power of Congress to regulate transportation of passengers affords ample basis to exercise authority in the case of this statute."

"In none of the cases was it charged or proved that the transportation was for gain or for the purpose of transporting women for hire, and it is insisted that such being the case the acts charged and proved upon which conviction was had, do not come within the statute."

"There is no ambiguity in the terms of this Act. It is specifically made an offense to knowingly transport, or cause to be transported in interstate commerce, any woman or girl for the purpose of prostitution or debauchery, or for any other immoral purpose, or with the intent and purpose to induce any such woman or girl to become a prostitute or to give herself up to debauchery or to engage in any other immoral practice."

"To cause a woman to be transported for debauchery or for an immoral purpose, for which Diggs and Caminetti were convicted, would seem by the very statement of the facts to embrace transportation for purposes denounced by the Act. While such immoral purpose would be more culpable in morals if accomplished with expectation of gain, such considerations do not prevent the

lesser offence against morals from the execution of purposes within the meaning of the law. To say the contrary would shock the common understanding of what constitutes an immoral purpose."

"It may be conceded, for the purpose of the argument, that Congress has no power to punish one who travels in interstate commerce merely because he has no intention of committing an illegal or immoral act at the conclusion of the journey. But this act is not concerned with such instances. It seeks to reach and punish the movement in interstate commerce of women and girls with a view to the accomplishment of the unlawful purposes proved."

The court did not decide directly whether women involved become technical accomplices, although this was argued on behalf of the three defendants. Justice Day said:

"It is urged as a further ground of reversal of the judgments below that the trial court did not instruct the jury that the testimony of the two girls was that of accomplices, and to be received with great caution and believed only when corroborated by other testimony adduced in the case. While this is so there is no absolute rule of law preventing convictions on the testimony of accomplices, if juries believe them."

The dissenting opinion said regarding the contention that the construction given the law by the majority of the court opens the way to blackmail: "Blackmailers of both sexes have arisen, and use the terms of the construction now sanctioned by this court as a help for their brigandage. The result is grave and should give us pause."

Justice McKenna, in the dissenting opinion, held that Congress did not intend to cover other than commercialised vice. He maintained that the purpose of the Act was to stop the White Slave traffic rather than isolated cases of immorality in interstate commerce.

Turns on Use of 'Immoral.' "The transportation which is made unlawful," Justice McKenna said, "is of a woman or girl to become a prostitute or to give herself up to debauchery or to engage in any other immoral practice." Our present concern is with the words, "any other immoral practice," which, it is asserted, have a specific office.

"Immoral" is a very comprehensive word. It means a dereliction of morals. In such sense it covers every form of vice, every form of conduct that is contrary to good order. It will hardly be contended that it is in this sweeping sense it is used in the statute.

"The statute . . . devotes a section to the declaration that the Act shall be known and referred to as the White Slave Traffic Act. The designation 'White Slave Traffic' has the sufficiency of an axiom. If approved, there is no uncertainty as to the conduct it describes. It is commercialised vice, immoralities having a mercenary purpose, and this is confirmed by other circumstances. It is vice as a business at which the law is directed, using interstate commerce as a facility to procure its victims."

"Any measure that protects the purity of woman from assault or enticement to degradation finds an instant advocate in our best emotions. But the judicial function cannot yield to emotions. It must, with poise of mind, consider and decide. It should not shut its eyes to the facts of the world and assume not to know what everybody else knows. And everybody knows that there is a difference between the occasional immorality of men and women and that systematic immorality epitomised in the statute's graphic phrase 'White Slave Traffic.'"

History of Test Case. The Diggs-Caminetti case has occupied national attention since the elopement of Caminetti with Lola Norris, aged nineteen, and Diggs with Martha Warrington, aged twenty, on March 10, 1913, the principals being of prominent families. Young Caminetti is the son of Commissioner of Immigration Caminetti. Both were found guilty and sentenced to imprisonment, in addition to heavy fines.

Caminetti was indicted in the United States District Court for the Northern District of California on May 6, 1913, for alleged violation of the Mann Act. Indictment was preferred on four counts, but he was only found guilty on one, which charged him with transporting Lola Norris from Sacramento, Cal., to Reno, Nev., in interstate commerce for debauchery. He was sentenced to eighteen months' imprisonment and fined \$1,500.

Diggs was indicted at the same time in six counts and found guilty in four, those of causing the transportation of Martha Warrington from Sacramento to Reno, also of the Norris girl, in company with Caminetti, and of procuring tickets for the two girls. He was sentenced to two years' imprisonment and fined \$2,000. The sentences of both men were affirmed by the Circuit Court of Appeals.

Hays was indicted on June 26, 1911, in Oklahoma for transporting a woman from Oklahoma City to Wichita, Kan. He was sentenced to eighteen months in prison, which was affirmed by the Circuit Court. His case was consolidated with the other two, being of the same character.

NOTTINGHAM plain net lace makers having objected to the introduction of women operatives in their branch of industry, the Home Office authorities decided the experiment must continue during the war.

American Advises Allies to Drop "Sloppy Twaddle."

The "Daily Express" has received permission to publish the following extract from a letter received from a distinguished American statesman:—

"I believe the next few months will be vitally important. Money alone, with England's navy as the only adjunct, cannot win. A block-deadline cannot win; defensive warfare cannot win. The only chance for the Allies is in a vigorous offensive to the last man and the last machine possible."

"Should the Allies make such a war I should be glad to see my country lend a hand. But there should be no slacking and no commercial politics marring the programme; no sloppy twaddle about the fighting the war for civilization. Let it be fighting in conjunction with all civilization to the last man, the last gun, the last pound or dollar; and 75 per cent of the people of this country would be glad to take a hand."

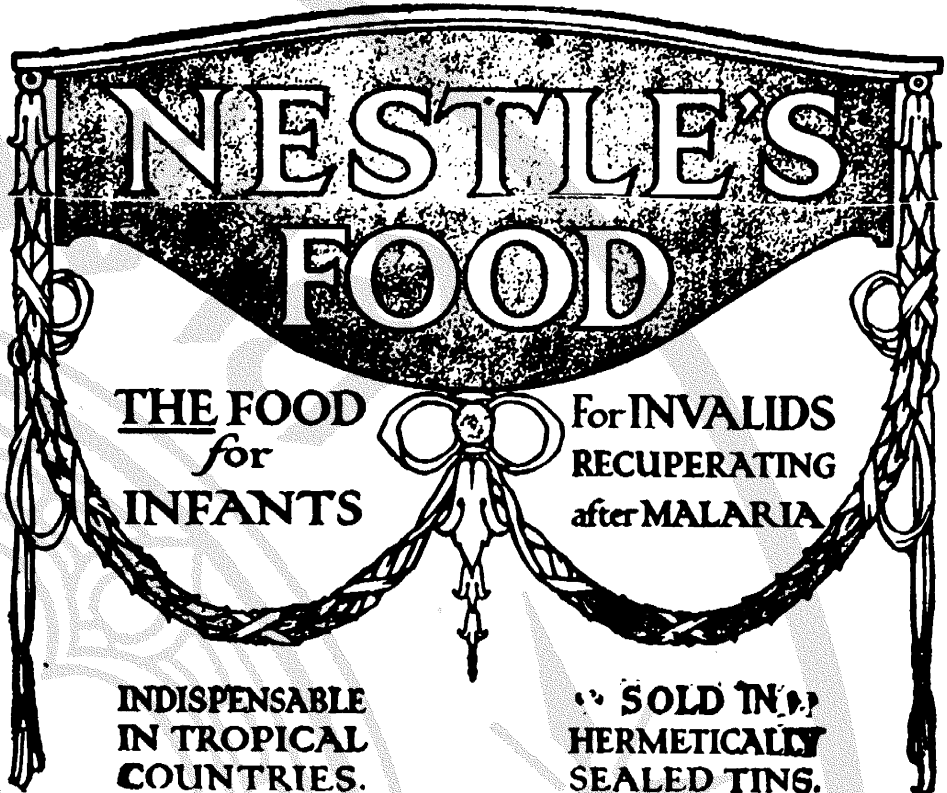
Mackensen Asks for Help.

The Berne correspondent of the "Corriere d'Italia" says that, according to information received from Berlin, Field-Marshal Mackensen has plainly intimated to the German and Austrian General Staffs that unless reinforcements are speedily sent to him in Rumania his armies there will soon find themselves in a critical situation.

In spite of this intimation, however, both Sofia and Constantinople have replied that internal conditions are such that it is impossible for them to send further troops out of the country.

The Turkish Government, indeed, declared that the situation in Asia is now such that so far from being able to spare troops to send to Europe, they themselves stand in urgent need of assistance, being now without any reserves to fall back upon.

The despatch adds that in German military circles the necessity for abandoning the Turks to their fate is freely spoken of.—Central News.



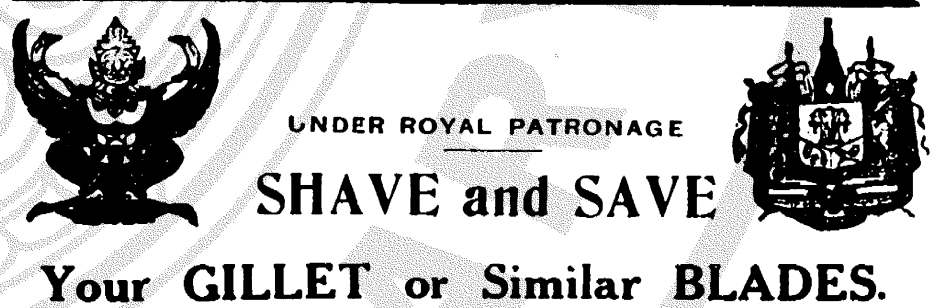
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Our Shipping Losses.

Reassuring Statement by Sir Norman Hill.

Sir Norman Hill, secretary of the Liverpool Steamship Owners' Association, interviewed on the shipping problem a month ago in view of the continued sinkings, said there was no cause for panic as regards the food supply or the essentials of life.

As a fact, our loss of tonnage showed no steady progressive tendency, either up or down. Taking the monthly averages, it was found that the rise and fall oscillated considerably. Up to now the highest monthly rate of loss was 0.34, and the lowest 0.08.

It was possible that any one of the last three months—November, December, January—would show a higher rate of losses than any previous month, but, as compared with either of the other two previous months, there had certainly been heavier losses in the early days of the war, when the raiders Emden and Karlsruhe were out.

As to the future prospects of the food supply, we can go on absolutely indefinitely, provided we make the best use of the ships we have left and put as many new ships into the water as we can.

Home Defence Men Wasting Time

These two things depended a most entirely on the organisation of labour. There were hundreds of thousands of trained men in the Home Defence Army who were wasting their time week after week and month after month, and he was strongly of opinion that these men should be drafted back to their civil occupations under their own officers, as the transport battalion was doing, subject to a few hours' call back to the colours in cases of a threatened invasion.

Attending to the importation of necessary foodstuffs, Sir Norman said that last year we brought upwards of 40 millions tons, weight of cargo into this country from abroad, and of that only about 15 million tons was food. It would therefore be seen that there was a big margin of tonnage of carrying power, after reckoning the needs of the Government in the matter of the transport of munitions of war, still remaining between us and starvation.

Our rate of losses up to now had been 6 per cent. per annum and deducting the 6 per cent. from this 40 millions they would this year still have a carrying capacity of 37,600,000 tons. In Sir Norman's opinion, if the losses were doubled, trebled or even quadrupled, we should still be able to bring in all our essentials, although we might have to be inconvenienced by a shortage of non-essentials, and possibly have to return to the standard of life of 30 or 40 years ago.

The Nation's Services.

London, Mar. 3.—A Press Bureau message states that the Army Council has ordered a general revision of certificates of exemption of men under thirty-one. The Government impresses on the tribunals that the war is reaching critical stage when it is imperative to obtain more men for the army. Exemption is in no wise justified on the ground of employment or hardship, unless for most exceptional reasons, and intimates that the special arrangements for postponing the calling up of religious workers and students is now terminated.

London, Mar. 3.—It is understood that the Shipping Controller is contemplating a scheme for the requisitioning of liners whereunder owners will constitute a committee of management, with the Controller represented. The profits, where above those yielded by requisition rates, accrue to the State. All competition will be eliminated. The scheme is firstly to be applied to the Australasia trade.

London, March 2.—A Board of Trade order prohibits the manufacture of posters exceeding six hundred square inches superfluous, abolishes newspaper contents bills, posters advertising goods (except at retailers' premises) and the issue of "Tradesmen's price lists and advertising matter to private customers (except at the latter's written request). The last-named does not apply to abroad.

London, March 2.—It is understood the Food-controller will shortly enforce rationing in hotels and restaurants. An order has fixed the price of tea.

German War Minister's Views.

A Reuter's telegram from Berlin via Amsterdam states that General von Stein, Minister of War, in an interview he accorded to the "New York World," which is reproduced by the "Lokal-Anzeiger," said:—

"When the Somme battle began I had not many forces of my disposal. Nevertheless, the enemy failed to break through. From that I draw the conclusion that our enemies will have the same negative result in the future."

"The English will not break through our front. We have made all our preparations on a larger basis than for the Somme battle. Whatever may come, the New Year's offensive will find the German front prepared. The enemy's prospects of breaking through in the West are hopeless."

"Our enemies will be grievously deceived if they think that Germany is near the end of her reserves. We manage very well with the limit of forty five years, and do not lack the raw material."

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The War on the Sea.

London, Feb. 28.—It is stated the owners of the torpedoed Dutch steamers declined London underwriters' offer of ten guineas per cent war-risk but accepted eight guineas of German underwriters, hence she sailed with lights ablaze. A telegram from Amsterdam says the Dutch Government has protested at Berlin against the attack on liners.

Amsterdam, Feb. 28. The Tyd says if Germany offers compensation for the torpedoing of the seven Dutch ships she will be asked to hand over a number of German merchantmen which are in refuge in the Dutch India.

Amsterdam, Feb. 28.—It is understood the cargo of the *Bandoeng* consisted of Borneo tobacco from German plantations insured in Hamburg. Its loss therefore only affects Germany.

London, Feb. 28.—Sinking: *Stemmer Headley* and two small craft, all British; total over 5,000 tons.

London, March 2.—The *Bague Galgorn Castle* was sunk on Feb. 27. She was shelled for two hours. The Captain and his wife and crew of twenty-five, including four Americans, entered the two boats at nightfall. The Captain's boat drifted for 18½ hours before it sighted the second boat. Twelve men, including two Americans, are missing and it is feared are lost as the weather was bad.

London, March 3.—The captain of the *Laconia* donned muff before the sinking of his ship, hence the pirate's search for him was fruitless.

London, March 4.—France has decided to follow Britain's example by suspending the publication of the names of ships sunk, giving instead a weekly statement of the submarinism.

The German Retirement.

London, March 4.—Reuter wires from headquarters, March 3rd that there has been a partial lull in the German retirement during the past two days, due to the increasing difficulty the enemy have had to carry out their movements unobserved. We profited by the lull to push forward our communications and consolidate our advance. As an instance, yesterday was largely devoted to cleaning up, the result being that over two hundred prisoners were rounded up. The various lengthening ranges of the enemy artillery indicates the withdrawal of guns continues and aerial photographs have disclosed rearward movement of the batteries by road and rail. The British troops repudiate the suggestion that the new gas shells were responsible for the retirement, which was due to the tenacity and gallantry and the increasing weight of our armies.



BRITISH OFFICIAL PHOTOGRAPH TAKEN ON THE WESTERN FRONT.
This was once a German dug out where they had an Ammunition depot.

British War Loan.

Sir E. Holden's Facts as to What the Germans Did.

Sir Edward Holden, speaking at the general meeting of the London City and Midland Bank, said we were in the midst of great economic phenomena. Our country was overflowing with money and credit. Large profits were being made, due greatly to increased prices, and our working-classes were earning larger wages than ever before; some were spending freely, others were saving.

It was incumbent on all, whether holders of Treasury bills or not, to make the War Loan as success, and he appealed strongly to everyone to do his part to

the utmost of his ability. Let us achieve a greater success than the Germans, by whom it is claimed that out of a total of five and quarter million subscribers to the fourth War Loan, there were no fewer than four and three-quarter million subscribers of less than £100 each, and that the total of these small subscription amounted to £110,000,000.

If the present Loan was a great success it might easily prove to be a real factor in hastening peace, while even an indifferent response might tend to prolong the conflict, with its daily sacrifice of human lives.

Presiding at the annual meeting of the London County and Westminster Bank, Mr. Walter Leaf said the terms on which the banks were prepared to accommodate their subscribing custom-

ers to the Loan left a small margin of profit "unless the Bank rate went up." He contrasted the position of Germany, where the nation had been invited to lend at a loss of 1½ per cent. The Germans had been told: "See at how small a sacrifice of income you can render an invaluable service to your country," and they had come forward in millions. He left it for comparisons to be drawn. If only all came forward ready to lend their past savings, and also, with the banks' assistance, their future savings, the success of the Loan would be assured.

Command of the North Sea.

A Copenhagen telegram states that the new British regulations affecting shipping traffic in the North Sea with a view to checking German naval opera-

tions were published there on Jan. 27.

The "National Tidende" says these measures will have no great effect upon Danish shipping generally, but vessels from Esbjerg will in future be compelled to travel northwards along the coast within territorial waters for some distance before they cross the North Sea.

The new regulations will, however, very gravely affect Danish fishing vessels from Esbjerg, because they will result in some of the most favourable fishing grounds being cut off.

The Christiania "Dagbladet" says, with regard to Norwegian shipping, that the new regulations will affect only the Norwegian routes to Rotterdam, on which the traffic has already been much restricted since the beginning of the war.—Central News.

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