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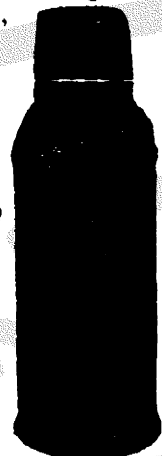
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"Namur" " 21	" " " "	" 18
"Sardinia" Sept. 3	"Arabia"	Aug. 4
"Somali" " 17	"Morea"	" 18
"Nore" Oct. 1	"Medina"	" 1
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Aug.	A.M.		L. W.
	H. W.	Ft. & in.	(Approx.)
1	4 30	12 2	...
2	5 30	12 4	...
3	6 30	12 6	...
4	7 30	12 7	...
5	8 30	12 6	...
6	9 30	12 0	4 0 7-0
7	10 00	11 9	4-5 7-0
8	11 00	11 0	5-6 7-0
9	...	...	6-7 7-0
10	...	...	7-8 7-0
11	...	...	9-10 7-0
12	...	...	10-11 7-0
13	12 00	12 0	10-11 6-0
14	3 30	12 0	12 0 6-0
15	4 30	12 0	...
16	5 30	12 0	...
17	6 30	12 0	...
18	7 30	12 0	...
19	8 00	11 9	...
20	9 00	11 8	3-4 7-0
21	10 00	11 5	4-0 7-0
22	10 30	11 2	4-0 7-0
23	11 00	11 0	4-5 7-0
24	...	...	5-6 7-0
25	...	...	6-7 7-0
26	...	...	7-8 7-0
27	...	...	8-9 6-0
28	2 30	12 0	10-11 6-0
29	3 30	12 0	12 0 6-0
30	5 00	12 7	...
31	6 00	12 9	...

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

PHASES OF THE MOON.
Aug. 7th) First Quarter 3.48 a.m.
13th) Full Moon 6.42 p.m.
20th) Last Quarter 7.35 p.m.
27th) New Moon 0.7 a.m.

Zeppelins.

London, Aug. 2.—A Grimsby traw-
ler reports that at eight on Monday
evening she saw four Zeppelins going
slowly; then they stopped and man-
oeuvred about evidently awaiting the
approach of darkness. One descended
close to the trawler and prepared to
drop a bomb. The trawler escaped,
sacrificing her gear.London, Aug. 3.—Official. At 1.30
o'clock this morning a number of air-
ships were reported to have crossed
the east coast at midnight. Their ob-
jective has not yet been ascertained as
the raid is still proceeding. Bombs
have been dropped on various places.London, August 3.—An official mes-
sage says that at 3.20 this morning, six
or seven airships apparently partici-
pated in a raid. Considerable numbers
of bombs were dropped over the east-
ern and south eastern counties. There
is no definite information available, no
military damage has been reported.
Many anti-aircraft guns were in action
and it is reported that at least one air-
ship was hit.London, August 3.—Official: The
damage done in this morning's raid
was astonishingly small. Nine horses
were killed and three injured. The
military object was not apparent. It
appears that no fewer than six airships
attacked the counties of Norfolk, Suff-
olk and Essex for an hour and a half.
Except at one point they did not pen-
etrate very far inland, mostly dropping
bombs near, and sometimes into, the
sea. A raider making for the coast of
Kent was claimed to have been hit
once, possibly twice. Hitherto eighty
bombs have been counted.London, Aug. 3.—Only two Zepp-
elins were seen returning over Holland
though four crossed. It is unofficially
stated that the south-east coast raider
was picked up by searchlights and fired
on by land batteries. Many believe
she was hit at least once. She appeared
crippled when last seen. No bombs
were dropped.Amsterdam, Aug. 3.—Zeppelin L 11
flew over the Dutch coast apparently
damaged and improperly controlled,
with motors working badly. The coast-
guards fired and hit it but it disappeared
westward with a heavy list.London, Aug. 3.—Unofficial. It is
believed that three Zeppelins visited
the eastern counties. They remained
some hours and dropped explosive and
incendiary bombs. Anti aircraft guns
were used.

Italian War Finance.

Rome, June 20.—The Minister of the
Treasury, Signor Carcano, stated that
for the whole financial year the revenue
increase would exceed £20,000,000.
For 1916-17 they might also countupon an increase of £1,400,000 owing
to the rearrangement of the railway
rates, and about an additional £2,000,
000 from recent taxation.As to the cost of the war, the total
expenditure, outside the Budget, was
for 1915-1916 £312,000,000, of which
£280,000,000 were assigned to the Min-
istry of War and £15,860,000 to the
Ministry of Marine. The average
monthly cost of the war was about
£24,680,000 and was still increasing.
Allowances to the families of soldiers
alone cost £18,000,000 in 1915-16, and
recently amounted to £80,000 per day.
The second and third national loans
had furnished £136,000,000, Treasury
bonds £52,000,000, and the opening of
foreign credit nearly £100,000,000.This, said the Minister, is our effort
to accomplish our duty in united co-
operation with our powerful Allies, so
as to restore liberty and peace to Eu-
rope.Every difficulty will be surmounted
by the unshakable determination, the
increased forces, and the solidarity and
economic alliance of the richest coun-
tries. With us, too, everybody must
suspend luxurious expenditure and
reduce his consumption to the indis-
pensables, concentrating all his forces
on the means to conquer. To conquer
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purities which it gathers on its way,
and then you get some sort of blood
poisoning.The effect of this shows itself in
many ways. Your face grows sallow
and often impurities of the blood force
themselves through the skin, forming
pimples and blotches. The cheeks and
lips are pale, because the blood instead
of being a healthy red is full of white
matter. There is so much waste pro-
duct to be got rid of by the blood every
day that all persons have a certain
amount of impurity in the blood, and
need from time to time to enrich it
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Distance from Bangkok.	STATIONS.	Train No.		Distance from Meklong.	STATIONS.	Train No.	
		I. III. V. VII.				VI. VIII	
		A.M. A.M. P.M. P.M.				A.M. P.M.	
Km. Bangkok Dep.		7.00 9.00 2.00 4.00		Km. Meklong Dep.		9.00 2.00	
33.1 Mahachulalongkornrajavidyalaya				33.8 Terminus Arr.		10.20 3.20	

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BANGKOK-MEKLONG.				MEKLONG-BANGKOK.			
Distance from Bangkok.	STATIONS.	Train No.		Distance from Meklong.	STATIONS.	Train No.	
		III. VII.				II. IV. VI. VIII	
		A.M. P.M.				A.M. A.M. P.M. P.M.	
Km. B. Hame		10.50 3.50		Km. Terminus Dep.		7.00 11.00 2.00 4.00	
33.8 Meklong Arr.		12.10 5.10		33.1 Bangkok Arr.		8.20 12.20 3.20 5.20	

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A splendid tribute to France's soldiers is paid by Sir A. Conan Doyle in the "Daily Chronicle." In the course of a long article he writes:

"The French soldiers are grand. There is no other word to express it. It is not merely their bravery. All races have shown bravery in this war. But it is their solidity, their patience, their nobility. I could not conceive anything finer than the bearing of their officers. It is proud without being arrogant, stern without being fierce, serious without being depressed. Such, too, are the men whom they lead with such skill and devotion."

Under the frightful hammer-blows of circumstance, the national characters seem to have been reversed. It is our British soldier who has become debonair, light-hearted, and reckless, while the Frenchman has developed a solemn stolidity and dour patience while once was all our own. During a long day in the French trenches, I have never once heard the sound of music or laughter, nor have I once seen a face that was not full of the most grim determination.

Germany set out to bleed France white. Well, she has done so. France is full of widows and orphans from end to end. Perhaps in proportion to her population she has suffered the most of all. But in carrying out her hellish mission Germany has bled herself white also.

France will stand at last, weak and tottering, with her huge enemy dead at her feet. But it is a fearful business to see—such a business as the world never looked upon before. It is fearful for the French. It is fearful for the Germans.

CRAZED.

May God's curse rest upon the arrogant men and the unholy ambitions which let loose this horror upon humanity! Seeing what they have done, and knowing that they have done it, one would think that mortal brain would go crazy from the first. But what sort of government is it under which one crazy brain can wreck mankind!

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their march which it is good to see. They march in column of platoons, and the procession is a long one, for a French regiment is equal to three battalions.

The men are shortish, very thick, burned brown in the sun, with never a smile among them.

There was a time when we talked of stiffening the French army. I am prepared to believe that our first expeditionary force was capable of stiffening any conscript army, for I do not think that a finer force ever went down to battle. But to talk about stiffening these people now would be ludicrous. You might as well stiffen the Old Guard. There may be weak regiments somewhere, but I have never seen them.

Allies' Superiority.

London, July 20.—The powerful counter-offensive which the Germans directed against the British has failed to pierce the British lines. Very large German reinforcements have been collected for this attack. The first assault, after intense artillery fire, was delivered in dense masses at 5.30 on the afternoon of the 18th. Fighting continued all night, and was particularly violent in Delville wood. After suffering very heavy losses, the enemy succeeded in re-capturing a portion of Delville wood and obtained a footing in the northern outskirts of Longueval, but during the 19th the British regained most of the ground lost. These separate assaults on Waterlot Farm completely broke down and the British fire dispersed a large body massing to attack the farm from the direction of Guillemont. On the whole the progress made by this powerful German effort was practically nil.

The course of the war has been profoundly influenced by the events of the past three weeks. The battle of the Somme has proved that the lines held by Germans cannot resist the onset of efficient troops. It has also proved that the Allies are more efficient than the Germans; for the positions seized by the Allies north and south of the Somme are at least as difficult and twice as extensive as those which the Germans have been able to seize near Verdun during the five months. The French and British have power to breach the German lines. Our troops are superior alike in efficiency and in mass. We can drain his reserve of strength and lower the German moral. Breaches in the line will multiply and the line will be rolled up in sections. German counterattacks will be attempted but they only speed up wastage of German resources and so tend to shorten the war.

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Paknam Dep.	6.30	9.30	12.45	3.45	Bangkok Dep.	7.45	10.45	2.00	5.00
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The Local Sanitary Department.

11th August 1916.

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Notice.

NOTICE is hereby given that the 35th. Ordinary General Meeting of

The Siam Electricity Co., Ltd.

will be held at its office on

Thursday 17th August at 5.30 p.m. for the purpose of declaring a dividend and transacting other ordinary business.

W. L. GRUT.

Vice-Chairman.

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Great War.

Russian Advance in Galicia.

(REUTER'S TELEGRAM.)

London, Aug. 10.

Petrograd.—An official report says that General Letchitzky has occupied Tysmienica, four miles east of Stanislaw, and captured an additional 7,400 men including 3,500 Germans, and sixty-three machine-guns.

(HAVAS TELEGRAM.)

Paris, Aug. 9.

Petrograd.—We took 900 prisoners and are continuing to advance on the river Sereth.

Italians Occupy Gorizia.

Ten Thousand Prisoners
Captured.

(HAVAS TELEGRAM.)

Paris, Aug. 9.

Rome.—We have taken Mont Sabatino, San Michele and a bridge at Gorizia. We captured 200 officers and 8,000 soldiers.

Paris, Aug. (?)

Rome.—An official report says that the Italians entered Gorizia to-day. They took ten thousand prisoners and enormous booty.

(REUTER'S TELEGRAM.)

London, Aug. 10.

Rome, Official.—The Italians have entered Gorizia. Hitherto ten thousand prisoners have been taken.

Germans Gain Footing at Thiaumont.

(HAVAS TELEGRAM.)

Paris, Aug. 9.

The enemy retook a footing at Thiaumont which we are bombarding.

We made progress at Fleury.

An aeroplane squadron set on fire the powder-factory at Rotweil on the Neckar.

Zeppelin Raids.

(HAVAS TELEGRAM.)

Paris, Aug. 9.

London.—Zeppelins flew over the east coast of England and the south-east of Scotland killing three women and a child.

(REUTER'S TELEGRAM.)

London, Aug. 10.

Official.—A hostile airship crossed the east coast early in the morning and another is reported to have visited the south-west (south-east) coast of Scotland. They bombed various localities along the coast. Hitherto three women and a child are reported to have been killed and fourteen people injured. No damage of military importance was done.

Anti-aircraft guns drove them off from several places. It is estimated that seven to ten airships participated operating singly and in pairs. Apparently the indiscriminate destruction of property was their main object. A naval aeroplane pursued one into the sea for several miles.

Tin and Rubber.

(S. O. SPECIAL CORRESPONDENT.)
Singapore, Aug. 11.

Tin is quoted at \$81.40.

The rubber auctions did not finish in one day as a larger quantity than usual was catalogued, namely 520 tons. Sales opened with prices below those of last week's level but the demand improved the prices which eventually showed an advance on last week, sheet reaching \$122 per picul—an advance of \$1.

PAUDY REPORT FOR AUG. 10.

Nasuan 1770 coynans at Tes.	85 103 each
Samruang 910 " " "	76/84 "
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Total Coynans	2890 "

Cup Football.

The matches in the second round for the Siam Football Association's Cup start to-morrow, and we are asked to state that gate money will be charged in future. Entrance to the grounds will be one satang for boy scouts, soldiers, sailors and policemen in uniform, and 10 satangs for all others. Seating accommodation will be provided at the same rates as last year. The following teams of the Senior Division will play to-morrow (Saturday) play commencing at 4.30 p.m.—

At the Wild Tiger Club, Krom Mahorab versus Krom Wang. Referee, Prince Siddhibara.

At Suan Kulab, Boon Itt Club versus The Ministry of Justice. Referee, Luang Prapondh.

Rugger.

The following are the teams taking part in to-morrow's match at the Sports Club:—

Whites.

Edgar, Butler, Fitzgerald, Croucher, Chapman, Selley, Keynes, McDonald, Sutton, Carson, Rasmussen, Johnson, Gilmore, Steele, Todd.

Colours.

Bansay, Schneider, Reis, Jackson, Voirol, Forrest J.S., Dalsgaard, Preston, Hewelson, Bowdon, Malcolm, Robertson, Ferdinands, Cranmer.

Kick Off at 5.0 p.m.

Referee: Mr. R. B. Mair.

LOCAL AND GENERAL.

Mr. Paulston (Edgar Bros.) arrived by the s.s. "Selon" to-day.

THE following are leaving by the s.s. "Katong" to-morrow:—Mr. F. C. Allen, Mr. Tattersfield, Nai Sanan and Nai Pravat.

THE s.s. "Diva" left Singapore for Bangkok on Wednesday the 9th Aug. at 3 p.m. with the European (English) mail on board.

THE Berlin "Lokalanzeiger" states that it has learned that Italy intends shortly to denounce her commercial and other treaties with Germany.

THE Criminal Court will hear arguments to-morrow in the case brought by the Krom Ayakarn against Khun Sanga Nakorn charged with receiving with guilty knowledge a motor stepney wheel.

AT a general meeting of the shareholders of the "Deutsche Tageszeitung" the report showed that the newspaper finished the business year with a loss of £40,000. It enjoyed the distinction of being the only German newspaper to show a large profit during the first five months of the war.

GORIZIA, reported by Reuter as captured by the Italians, is the capital of the Austrian crownland Gorz and Gradisca. Its population is 25,432, two-thirds being Italians and the remainder mostly Slovenes and Germans. Owing to the mildness of its climate it has become a favourite winter-resort and has received the name of the Nic of Austria. During the middle ages the greater part of its population was German.

The British War Office.

How many persons of German extraction are employed in the Intelligence Department of the War Office? asked Sir Henry Dalziel in the House of Commons. "I do not know how far back my right hon. friend contemplates that I should go," answered Mr. Tennant. "On the assumption that he is referring to two generations the answer to this question is, Two." (Laughter.)

Sir Henry Dalziel: Does my right hon. friend deny that a man of German extraction, speaking broken English, is now employed in the Intelligence Department of the War Office? Mr. Tennant: I don't happen to be acquainted with him, so I cannot say; but I said there were two.

Sir Henry Dalziel: Does the right hon. gentleman think it right that at the present time men of German extraction should be employed in the Intelligence Department and have access to most confidential information and have the opportunity very often of seeing it before the Secretary of State for War does? (Loud cheers.)

Mr. Tennant: The gentlemen I had in contemplation are both the sons of persons naturalised before the birth of the persons concerned, and one of whom is a member of this House. One of them has a maternal grandfather who is a German.

Voyage of the Yacht Maha Chakkri.

The late Royal Yacht Maha Chakkri left this on the 8th inst. for Kobe in charge of Japanese officers and crew. The Siam Government had accorded to arrangement to supply a Naval Officer to accompany the vessel as far as Koh-si-Chang and this duty devolved on Second Lieut. Luang Han Smudh, who returned to Bangkok in H. M. S. Ootha Rajakich. Lieut. Luang Chakrya Nanupicharn also left for Japan by the Maha Chakkri. We understand that the voyage will cover about sixteen days and that the ship will call at Hongkong, Shanghai and Nagasaki before arriving at Kobe.

We also learn that the new Royal Yacht which is being built for the Siam Government at the Kawasaki Dockyard will take two years to complete.

Flew Across Germany.

London, July 25.—A French airman flew over Berlin on June 20th, dropping leaflets. He had to descend only 63 miles from the Russian trenches and was captured. It is officially announced in Paris that Sub-Lieutenant Marshal left Nancy at 9.30 on Thursday evening on a special type of Nieuport monoplane, with provision and petrol sufficient for a fourteen hours' flight. His mission was to fly across Germany and drop a proclamation beginning: "We could have bombarded the open town of Berlin and thus kill innocent women and children but content ourselves with dropping the following proclamation." He continued his flight and accomplished 800 miles. He was then obliged to alight owing to trouble with the sparking plug. He charged two and restarted the motor, but found it necessary to charge two more. While doing so he was taken prisoner at Cholm, 65 miles from the Russian lines, eleven hours after his start from Nancy.

D.S.O. Bishop's Death.

Priest Who Commanded a Gunboat.

Bishop Brindle, D.S.O., Roman Catholic Bishop of Nottingham, died at Mount St. Mary's College, near Sheffield, at the age of seventy-nine. Bishop Brindle was an Army chaplain for twenty-five years, and took an active part in nearly all the fighting in Egypt and the Sudan between 1882 and 1898. His record is more like a general's than a chaplain's. He was twice specially promoted for service in the field, and besides the D.S.O. wore nearly a dozen war medals and decorations. In the Nile Expedition of 1884 he captured the boat of the Royal Irish which won Lord Wolseley's prize for the fastest journey up the river. In the Dongola expedition of 1896 Lord Kitchener gave him the command of a gunboat, which he took into action. He won the D.S.O. by walking two miles across the desert of El Tel, which was infected with the enemy, to administer the last rites to a dying soldier.

Life Sentence Reduced.

Court of Appeal and a Prisoner's Motive.

After long arguments regarding how far a man's motive in committing an offence should be taken into consideration by the Judge in passing sentence the Court of Criminal Appeal, Justices Darling, Bray, and Horridge, reduced the sentence passed on Albert Bright at Leeds Assizes from penal servitude for life to penal servitude for ten years. Bright was charged with endeavouring to obtain information that would be useful to the enemy from employees of Messrs. Vickers, Ltd., Sheffield, and he appealed against the sentence passed upon him.

Mr. Macaskie, for the appellant, said that accused was not charged with having an intention of communicating this information to the enemy, which, after all, was an essential part of a charge which would warrant a sentence of penal servitude for life. He thought the Judge was wrong in considering the man's motive at all when no intention was charged against him. Delivering judgment, Mr. Justice Darling said the Judge had a perfect right to consider the motives of the prisoner, whether they were good or not, in order to award a lenient or severe sentence, according to the nature of the motive. They thought Mr. Justice Avory could legally pass the sentence he had passed on prisoner, but the Court thought the Judge had taken into consideration matters that should have been excluded, for he had assumed that the prisoner had an intention to assist the enemy.

The offence was a grave one, but the sentence would be reduced to one of ten years' penal servitude.

From Dutch Sources.

Shortage of Men.

The Italian "Secolo" learns from neutral sources that 100,000 Austrians, who were in occupation of Serbia, Montenegro, and Albania, have been withdrawn to strengthen their lines in the Carpathians and to troop the Rumanian frontier, which for several months has been left unguarded.

Furthermore, it is added that several Turkish divisions have arrived in Galicia from Thrace, Constantinople and the Dardanelles. This news shows that the Austrians are at the end of their resources as regards reserves.

Germany cannot be better off, for at the beginning of the Russian offensive a representative of the Austrian General Staff paid a visit to the German General Headquarters and asked for the immediate despatch of the troops which Germany had promised to send to Austria's assistance. Germany's reply was that not a single man could be spared from her eastern front. Germany then gave Austria the advice to go and seek help from Turkey. This was done by cajolery and pressure, Austria obtaining the services of several divisions of Turkish troops, which had been stationed in Armenia and Mesopotamia, and from those troops which were destined for the Egyptian and Thrace fronts. Turkey has now been depleted, and is absolutely unable in her present situation to give any further help to Austria, who must naturally rely on her own resources.

Belgian Burgomaster.

The "Tyd" learns that Burgomaster Max (who was imprisoned for the non-payment of war taxes) will be set at liberty shortly.

Explosion in Italy.

There has been a big munition explosion in Foggia, with many casualties.

Socialist Congress.

Representatives of the Rumanian Socialists will take part in the Socialist Congress at the Hague, and will discuss the present critical internal condition of Rumania.

Naval Notes.

Japan's New Battleships.

According to messages from Tokyo the Japanese naval authorities have decided upon a very remarkable design for their new group of battleships. It may be recalled that Japan was the real birthplace of many of the most prominent features in modern ships of war. She began equipping her armoured cruisers with 12 inch guns as long ago as 1911, and in the following year, when the 17,000 tons of our Dreadnoughts carried such a future, Japan put in hand the "Aki" and "Satsuma," whose displacement is in the neighbourhood of 20,000 tons. In proportion to their tonnage these ships are still the most powerfully armed vessels afloat, their battery comprising four 12-inch and twelve 10 inch guns in addition to numerous anti-torpedo craft weapons. Japan was relatively late in coming into line with the "all big gun" ship though no one would question the right of the "Aki" and "Satsuma" to be grouped as Dreadnoughts; and it was not until 1910-11 that the "Kawachi" and "Settsu" armed with twelve 12-inch guns apiece, were set afloat. There is nothing remarkable about these vessels beyond the unsatisfactory disposition of their heavy guns, which are mounted in the same way as those in the first eight Dreadnought battleships built for the German Navy. That is to say, there are only two turrets on the center-line, one forward and one aft, and the other four are placed at the corners of a rectangle, with the result that no more than eight guns out of the twelve can be fired on the broadside.

Huge Gun-Power.

In the next group of ships, of which the "Fuso" is the prototype, this defect was remedied and a very considerable addition made to the offensive equipment at the same time. On a displacement of just over 30,000 tons these ships carry a main battery of twelve 14-inch guns in six turrets, all of which are on the center-line, and therefore available for use on either beam, a system we did not adopt ourselves until we had launched fourteen vessels with their principal guns less efficiently disposed. The "general idea" of the "Fuso" class will be retained in the newest ships; but instead of 14-inch guns, 15 inch will be mounted, and thus, so far as weight of metal is concerned, the Japanese ships will be 50 per cent. more powerful than our "Queen Elizabeths." Their designed speed, it is stated, will be 24 knots, or one knot below that of our fast battle-ship division, and, since the displacement is given as only 32,000 tons it is safe to assume that the armour protection will not be up to the heaviest standards. There has recently been a tendency to question the value of armour altogether, and lively discussions are taking place in America as to whether the four battle cruisers now provided for should have nine inch belts or dispense with vertical armour entirely. In all probability these arguments will have been conclusively settled by the Jutland battle, where the value of thick protection was proved up to the hilt.

The 15-Inch Gun.

It is remarkable how quickly the

The Anglo-French Offensive.

All the Rhineland papers devote columns to the Anglo-French offensive, their comments being mainly a repetition of the German official report, with emphasis on the section of the front from Gommecourt to La Boisselle. The papers assert that the first stage of the offensive has failed because the Germans only retired to a so-called bar position between the first and second lines.

Readers are, however, warned that the offensive is only beginning. Thus the Catholic Cologne "Volkszeitung" says: "We have now undoubtedly to cope with an effort on the part of our enemies which exceeds anything yet experienced. For the first time since the beginning of the war our enemies may boast that they are fighting unitedly on all fronts." The "Rheinisch Westphalian Gazette," the greatest industrial paper, says: "The fact that our troops only retired to positions between the first and second lines shows that the expected effect of the first attack was unfulfilled, but the battle on the Somme is far from being ended. Our enemies will strain every nerve to break our front."

The "Cologne Gazette" says: "For seven days fire poured over our trenches. Our brave troops will have regarded it almost as a relief when, finally, the storming columns came on." The annihilating effect of the artillery preparation is admitted in all the papers.

The "Cologne Volkszeitung" thinks that "though Germany faces the coming battle with confidence, nevertheless the moment is without doubt fraught with significance and is perhaps decisive." The newspaper declares that for the first time Great Britain has to bear the main burden. "The British Army in France is strong and well equipped. Great Britain's industry, after having been found unorganised for war has performed great achievements in the manufacture of guns and shells, and, thus prepared, Great Britain believes that she can now at last join in the war dance on the soil of Northern France."—Reuter.

The Price of Peace.

Athens, July 2.—This morning a number of commercial and industrial delegates visited Mr. Venizelos at his house and expressed to him their attachment and their confidence in his policy.

M. Venizelos, in reply to their address, said that although when Crete was in bondage he had passed most of his life there as a revolutionary in the mountains, he believed that free States needed peace in order to progress. To remain stationary was not peace, as his political opponents seemed to think; as a matter of fact, that sort of thing usually ended in the surrender of one's possessions to the enemy.

While his own policy aimed at a revival of Hellenism by keeping close to the Powers who had secured the liberty of Greece, the outgoing Cabinet had reduced the Greek people to a condition of slavery, and the nation had nearly been choked in the atmosphere of espionage that had been created by these party men. What would Greece have come to if these obsequious councillors, with their absolutist tendencies, had continued to advise the King? Counsellors representing the majority of the nation might become disagreeable; they were like doctors, whose physic might be unpalatable, but who were able to cure by telling the truth.

M. Venizelos concluded by announcing that, as soon as Parliament had been dissolved, he would state his programme at a public meeting.

The ex Premier's speech was received with loud cheers, and after he had also addressed the crowd outside his house, enthusiastic demonstrations took place outside the British and French Legations.

15-in gun has come to be recognised as the battle standard—at any rate, for the time being. It was not until the spring of 1915 that Mr. Churchill announced in the House of Commons that this weapon would be mounted in the "Queen Elizabeths," and already it has been adopted by Italy, Japan, Austria, and Germany. In the United States, where the 14 in. has held sway since 1911, there is considerable doubt as to whether any further advance is justified, but it seems distinctly probable that the battleships of the new programme will carry ten 16-in. guns a piece. France, on the other hand, shows in this, as in other matters, a preference for numbers over individual size. She had at the beginning of the war, three groups of super-Dreadnoughts, building or projected, all of which were to be armed with the 13.4 in. gun. The first, comprising the "Lorraine," "Bretagne," and "Provence," have ten guns in five turrets, being practically identical with our Orion class. The second group, consisting of the "Flandres," "Normandie," "Gascogne," "Bearn," and "Longueville," break new ground by mounting twelve 13.4 in. guns in three quadruple turrets; while the last class ("Lille," "Tourville," "Lyons," and "Dupleix,") which had not been begun when the war started, were to carry an additional turret, giving them an armament of sixteen heavy guns. As a general rule French battleships are well armoured.—Ex.

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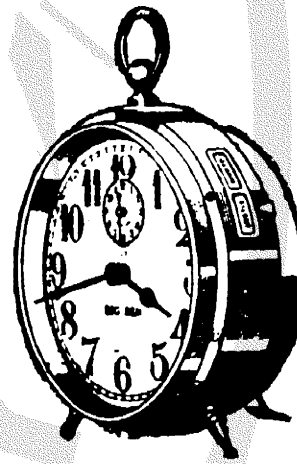
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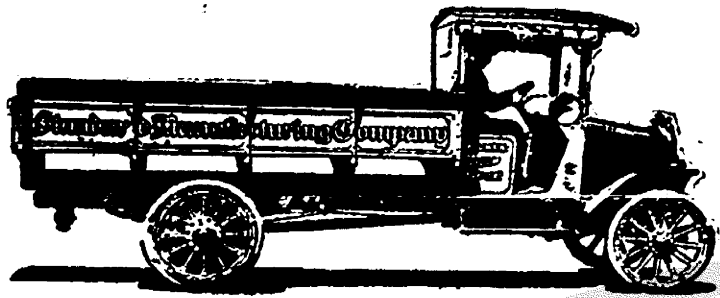
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The French Front.

Paris, Aug. 2.—The afternoon communiqué says: We carried a strong enemy position between Bois de Hem and Monacu farm and occupied a trench northwest of Denicourt. In the region of Estrees we took prisoners. There was violent fighting on the Vaux Chapitre-Chenois front and as far as south as Damloup. After a series of fruitless attacks, some accompanied by poison gas, the enemy gained a little ground in Bois de Vaux, Chapitre and Chenois. Elsewhere all his attempts were repulsed. During the actions, in which the enemy had heavy losses, we took prisoner a hundred.

There were thirty-three aerial fights over the enemy lines on the Somme. A German aeroplane was felled on fire and fourteen others were seriously damaged and were obliged to descend headlong in their own lines.

Paris, Aug. 3.—The afternoon communiqué says: We repulsed several enemy attacks on Monacu farm. An enemy counter attack south of Estrees broke down under our fire. Several violent enemy counter-attacks on the trenches we won yesterday on the right of the Meuse were broken with heavy losses by our curtain-fire and rifle fire. Following up our gains we progressed considerably south of Fleury, reaching the immediate surroundings of the village and advancing beyond the station.

We organised our new positions between Monacu farm and Hem wood. It is confirmed that German units in the Monacu region had to be relieved owing to serious losses since July 30.

London, Aug. 3.—General Haig reports that the work of consolidating the ground gained continues.

Our guns were active and the enemy retaliated briskly from Maltzborn farm to Longueval and also on the Mametz, Fricourt and Becourt woods and on Pozieres. This fire slackened at dawn.

It was a bombing attack which gained us ground at Bazentin. Four strong enemy detachments attacked Delville-wood at night. They were allowed to approach to close range before the British fired repulsing them with heavy loss. Our heavy artillery bombarded a strong point between Pozieres and Thiepval and the garrison fleeing across the open were shelled by field-guns. There was considerable reciprocal artillery activity at other points on the Somme front. Two enemy aeroplanes were felled one apparently of a new pattern. Three British machines were brought down by gunfire.

Fleury fell to a brilliant joint attack from the northwest and southeast simultaneously.

French battle-planes in the Somme region were very active. They fell-

ed four German machines, and two others were badly hit and dived vertically into the German lines.

London, Aug. 2.—A French army bulletin giving an exhaustive account of the British offensive, emphasises that the Germans are using up their reserves and have been compelled to put into action twelve divisions which have been resting, otherwise an extra division daily is necessary to resist the British whose man-power is only beginning to be exerted.

London, Aug. 2.—General Haig's communiqué says: Fighting at close quarters by small detachments has been in progress here. Hostile counter-attacks against our new trenches west of high wood failed to get through our artillery barrage.

Our artillery for the past twenty-four hours in cooperation with the flying corps destroyed seven gun emplacements and six ammunition dumps near Grandek Ourt and gun emplacements on other parts of the front. A few hostile aeroplanes crossed our lines a short distance but were quickly driven back. One was felled and another was damaged. The enemy appears to be anxious to avoid aerial combats.

A Wonderful Gun.

The new big French gun is a veritable marvel and puts the famous German 16-in. entirely in the shade. The correspondent of the "Petit Parisien" on the Somme front was present while one of these giants demolished a village within the German lines. With each shot a dozen houses disappeared, and presently the village with the Germans in it was wiped out. Our own shell fire has caused Karl Von Wiegand, the Berlin correspondent of the "New York World," to cable his paper, quoting some higher officers: "The British artillery fire is beyond the power of imagination. It exceeds that of the Germans at Verdun. The rain of British shell was terrible, and they owe what successes they have made to their artillery."

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Improvement in Army Methods.

While the battle is still fiercely raging along the whole Kovel front it is worth while to make a summary of the assets which Russia has at her disposal in this crisis and to mention the vast improvement which is apparent in her organisation compared with that of 1914.

The first consideration is that the head of the Higher Command, Gen. Alexeieff, early in the Galician campaign clearly proved, as Chief of Staff to General Ivanoff, his extraordinary capacity to direct an advance. As commander on the Warsaw front he made it evident that he could, with an army short of all material things, hold until the last moment an enemy equipped with everything, and then escape the enemy's clutches. At Vilna he showed his technique by again eluding the enemy.

His great and proven capacity then has resulted in the absolute confidence of all groups in the symmetry of Russia's greater strategy, each commander willingly acting with the assurance that that there will be no bungling higher up.

General Brusiloff, the commander of this group, similarly possesses the implicit confidence of his Army leaders, and both in regard to him and to General Alexeieff the feeling prevails that, whatever the outcome of the present movement, it is impossible that it could have a disastrous result in the hands of leaders of such tried capacity.

General Kaledin, the commander of the Army on the Kovel front, is relatively a new figure in important operations. At the beginning of the war as commander of a cavalry division, his universal competence in all operations committed to his care brought him rapid promotion, until now he is head of this huge Army. Meeting him frequently as a guest, I have come to feel great confidence in this resolute, quiet man, who is surrounded by a sober, serious Staff, each officer picked for his past performance.

In view of the knowledge of these three dominant personalities involved in the strategy of this movement it is reasonable to believe that the Russians, whether they continue to advance or hold their present positions, or withdraw, will play their cards in the best possible way.

The Transport.
I note an infinite improvement since last year in the Army. In the first place I see no troops without rifles, and there is no shortage of ammunition apparent. Then there is an extraordinary improvement in the organization of the transport. In spite of the large volume of troops on this front they are moving with less confusion than the transport of single corps entailed two years ago. The compact organization of munition columns and the absence of wasted time have speeded up communications fully 50 per cent., enabling three units

to be moved as easily as two last year.

The transport has been further improved by the addition of motor vehicles. The Staff organisation is incomparably better than at the beginning of the war, and I have not seen a single Staff on this front which is not entirely competent. The system of transporting the wounded has been well organised, and vast numbers are being cleared from the front station without confusion or congestion.

A Bright Contrast.

In comparison I can recall the early Galician days when imagined numbers of wounded, both our own and Austrian, flooded Lemberg in a few days, and there were countless casualties. In spite of the numbers of wounded here I have not seen any congestion, and I find all the clearing stations cleared within a few hours after every fight, the wounded passing to base hospitals and being evacuated into the interior of Russia with great promptness.

Owing to the few good roads and the distance from the railway, in many places the wounded have been obliged to make trips of two or three days in peasants' carts before reaching the railways. It is an extraordinary opportunity for England to show her appreciation of Russian heroism and sacrifice by sending quantities of motor-ambulances.

Finally, the "moral" of the Army has reached an unexampled pitch. In the hospitals which I inspected with the General many of the wounded, even those near death, called for news of the front, asking if the trenches were taken, and saying that they were willing to die if the Germans were only beaten. Such sentiments typify the extent to which this conflict is now rooted in the hearts of the Russian Army and people.—Ex.

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This was written some 2,100 years ago, by Quintus Ennius, yet Zadkiel and similar publications are to this day permitted to gull simple folk.

"Faith," however, "in stellar influences was once so widespread that astrological terminology came to form part of ordinary language, in so much that it is impossible rightly to understand many passages of ancient and mediaeval literature, or rightly to apprehend the force of many allusions and expressions, unless the significance of astrological teachings to the men of those times be recognised" (1). Many instances will occur to students of Chaucer, Shakespeare, an later poets. Sir Toby Welsh, for example, and Sir Andrew Aguecheek were evidently not well taught in astrology. "Shall we not about some revels," says the latter. "What shall we do else?" says Toby. "Were we not born under Taurus?" "Taurus, that's sides and heart," says Sappient Andrew. "No, Sir," responds Toby, "it's legs and thighs. Let me see thee caper"; Shakespeare's—

"certain stars shot madly from their spheres
To hear the sea maid's music;" and Coleridge's—

"Come and see! trust thine own eyes.
A fearful sign stands at the house of life
An enemy; a fiend lurks close behind
The radiance of thy planet—oh! be warned."

"Not only do the names remain, but some of the observances connected with the old astrological systems remain to this day. As ceremonies derived from Pagan worship are still continued, though modified in form, and with a different interpretation, in Christian and especially Roman Catholic observances, so among the Jews and among Christians the rites and ceremonies of the old Egyptian and Chaldaean astrology are still continued, though no longer interpreted as of yore" (2). The celestial bodies do still rule the days of the week—The Sun, as with the Babylonians, presiding over Sunday; the Moon, over Monday; Mars over Tuesday (Mardi); Mercury over Wednesday (Mercredi); Jupiter over Thursday (Jeudi, or Jove's day); Venus over Friday (Vendredi); and Saturn,

the gloomiest and most malignant, but also the most powerful, of the planetary deities, over Saturday, the Sabbath day, when, owing to his evil influence, no work could safely be undertaken (3).

Byron, in Childe Harold, probably had in mind the ancient religion of Sabaism, or the worship of the host of heaven (7), which led to the science of Astrology as pursued in Nebuchadnezzar's temple at Babylon; at the Birs Nimroud, of Nineveh, supposed to have been built on the ruins of the tower of Babel; and at the Great Pyramid in Egypt.

Some few here may remember the rush there was for (A 740). Professor Piazza Smyth's "Our Inheritance in the Great Pyramid" of 1871, and the death-blow dealt by the late R. A. Proctor (4) and others to the Pyramidalists' theory that the building details were of super-natural inspiration. There is no shadow of doubt that, for its astrological purposes, it is of wonderful design. Its date is almost certainly c. 3400 B.C. Placed at lat. 30 deg. north, with its four sides carefully orientated, the descending slant-tunnel is exactly what the astrologer would require for observing the Pole-star of the period. (Alpha Draconis) at its lower culmination, while the ascending passage gave at that date,

(a) the sun at equinox, midsummer, and mid-winter; and
(b) Alpha Centauri (5).

"It is evident that the builder possessed a far greater amount of mathematical and astronomical knowledge than it has hitherto been supposed could possibly have been acquired by the ordinary course of observation and scientific investigation in the early age of the world when the Pyramid was built; and the fact that the values of the diameters and distances used by him are within the limits of the probable errors of the means of the best astronomical determinations of recent times, proves that, so far at least as these values are concerned, modern science has made no real advance upon the science known to the builder of the Great Pyramid" (6)—a grave admission that, by so reputed an astronomer.

He, Proctor (K 31, p. 178), speaks of researches among the ruins of Nineveh which brought to light cuneiform inscriptions relating to the heavenly bodies. "The Treatise of Bel" cannot have been later than the 17th cent. B.C. observations extend over more than 500 years, so that the earliest of them must have been made about 2,540 B.C. Knowing the intimate connection from earliest ages between Assyria and India need we any longer imagine that the solstitial points could not have been taken in India in 1181 B.C., as stated by Ramesh C. Dutt?

Philo asserted that Torah the father of Abraham, was skilled in all that relate to astrology; and, according to Joseph the Chaldaean, Berossus, attributed to Abraham a profound knowledge of arithmetic, astrology, and astronomy, in which sciences he instructed the Egyptians—an assertion hardly reconcilable with their far earlier achievements in Pyramid building.

Diodorus Siculus (B.C. 50) wrote that the Heliadas, or Children of the Sun (i. e. men from the East) excelled all other men in knowledge, particularly in the knowledge of the stars. One of the race, named Aetis (A ray, built Heliopolis, and named it after his father, the Sun). The same author states that a great temple was erected (at Babylon) by Semiramis, and dedicated to Belus, or Jupiter, and that on its roof or summit the Chaldaean astronomers contemplated, and exactly noted, the risings and settings of the stars.

Astrology was divided into three distinct branches—the doctrine of nativities, horary astrology, and Sino-astrology. "In former ages all persons likely to occupy an important position in the history of the world had their horoscopes erected; and in these horoscopes days, months, the passing of centuries, and the art of ruling the planets flourishes as it should do." Horoscopes were used by the Chaldaean, and in his works we find numerous exposures of forecasts for the great Duke (of Wellington) he simply would not die when he was told to;—for King Edward VII. and others. "Astrologers tell us now that Uranus is a very potent planet; yet the old astrologers seem to have got on very well without him."

Since writing the above, we have seen Dr. Chatterjee's letter (Free Press, May 9). We would not willingly hurt other minds, but astrology being proved a false science, will die. In Free Press, May 25, we read of a Lecture to be given on Astronomy. May it only be the commencement of a series, and lead to the formation of an Astronomical Society such as the Japanese have in full strength. Singapore is the only city in the Empire commanding a view of all the stars in the universe, and much work of value to astronomers in other latitudes might surely be achieved under the guidance of the British Astronomical Association. (J. W. in the Singapore Free Press).

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His Honour: Rubbish! It is the biggest price you can get, and the country is bled for it. This association says, instead of supplying as cheap as we can, let us make as much as we can. You ought to have said in the time of our great need. "We are now supplying millions of these tins, and therefore can do them much cheaper for the sake of the country, and not artificially raise the price."

Witness: Materials have gone up tremendously.

His Honour: Of course, the makers are raising the prices; that is just it, bleeding the country. If a few hundred of you manufacturers combined and said you would not pay the inflated prices it would soon bring the prices down at the market by—I am inclined to call it—a fraudulent combination, having an office in Liverpool. Everybody objects to a combination to raise wages by workers, but this is a kind of conspiracy amongst manufacturers to raise prices.

Penal Servitude for Objectors.

The death sentence passed in France on a number of conscientious objectors to military service was mentioned in the House of Commons. Mr. Tennant in reply to Mr. Morrell, stated that it was the case that courts-martial in France had, in the exercise of their functions, sentenced a number of conscientious objectors to death. In all these cases, thirty-four in number—the sentences had been commuted to penal servitude. This would be saved in a civil prison.

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