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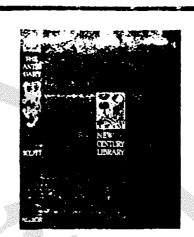
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#### How Russia was Handicapped.

German agents operating on Russian territory scored a success recently in the port of Archangel, where two steamers containing munitions were blown up. The Russian communique, in connection with this affair was a denial of a German announcement that seven of these vessels had been destroyed. Although the damage was not so extensive as the enemy made it out to be, the fact that German spies are still able to operate in such important allied towns as Archangel is a matter for regret. At the present time, when the Allies are re-doubling their efforts to multiply Russia's supply of munitions, Archangel is a most vital terminal port. If Rumania is to be saved from being over run by the enemy, her salvation will be achieved mainly by Russian troops and British and French municions and materials. A portion of those munitions may be passing through Vladivostock on their long overland journey to the endeavoured to negotiate through Russian front, but the main bulk is coming by way of Archangel, and, if enemy agents are able to pursue the machinations which proved so effective at Ochta over twelve month age, they will probably succeed in a riously delaying General Brussiloff's operations and in assisting the Austro-German invasion of Rumania. | for Scotland (Mr. MacKinnon Wood) Russian munition making bas frequently being seriously interfered with as a direct result of German plotting, and, even when it was decided in July of last year to remove munition factories from the war zone to the interior, the enemy agents were undaunted. After causing a number of minor explosions at different factories, the members of the German Secret Service achieved their great success at Ochta, which has been described as the Russian Woolwich. They bribed some of the workmen there, who blew up a series of nitrating tanks. The explosion shook Petrograd and wrecked nearly all the plant in the munition factories. As nearly half the smokeless powder and high explosive required by the Russian army were manufactured at Ochta, the damage to the Russian cause was enormous, and was, to a considerable extent, responsible for their great retreat through Poland. In America the German agents have also displayed great activity in destroying munition factories, and the big explosion at the National Storage Company's premises, New York, on July 30 last showed the daring methods which they were prepared to adopt even in a neutral country. Viscount Grey, in the

course of his reply to the American protest against the British "black list." said: "Germans in neutral countries have made deliberate plans to further Germany's military ambitions, even plotting to destroy munition factories." It is clear from the experiences in Russia that such actions have not been confined to Germans in "neutral" countries.---Ex.

#### Famous Spy Arrested.

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Washington, Nov. 42. - Dr. Carl Armaand Graves, the author of "Confessions of a German Spy," has been arrested at the residence of Prince

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Graves is the mysterious person who was acrested in England for spying at Rosyth, but who was released eighteen months before war broke out. Questioned in Parliament in June, 1913. on the Graves's release, the Secretary said: "Graves was released in December last. It would not be in accordance with precedent to state the reasons for the exercise of the prerogative.' After his release Graves went to New York, and stated there that he had been in the pay both of the German and the British secret services.

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Parliament Criticised. We (Shanghai Times) have refrained up to the present from directing at-tention to the disgraceful scenes which have just taken place in the Chinese Parliament, when men became so lost to reason and a consciousness of their responsibility as exemplars of decorum as to hurl chairs and ink pots at their adversaries in debate. No words of condemnation of such behaviour can be too trenchant and caustic. Cooliedom could not supply a more distressing scene, and while a great many office-seekers pose as erudite and capable representatives their behaviour betrays the coarseness of their nature and the limitation of their outlook as legislators in a Republic which has a superfluity of ambition but a paucity of men. We have been tempted to advert to the claims suddenly sprung on the Peking Government for the repayment of funds alleged to have been expended during the past year or two on the Republican propaganda, and faint though our appreciation may be at the moment of the Government in office in the Capital it certainly would fall to zero were a ready response made to the demands of these "saviours of the country." It has well been said that the Oriental moves in a mysterious way his wonders to perform. We have witnessed the flight of many Republican refugees. Once the late President's power was on the wane the leaders of public opinion sought Chinese soil, but preferably that which extended hospitality under the agis of • a foreign Government, for no man is more conscious of the arbitrary manner in which the Chinese authoritiescrush disciples of infectious propaganda than the average son of Cathay. The southerners have lately arrived here in a cloud. There is intrigue attoat in this Settlement-it is rampant in the Capital. The political camps are reeking with vituperation and ready for all manner of recrimination. The seats of the mighty are unstable and uneasy, and yet those who are not able to pierce the arcana of plotters are unable to give an interpretation to the movement nor read the signs of the times. But their sense of suspicion is strong. A Peking correspondent, however, essays an opinion that reports from the South lead to the belief that an effort is being made to consolidate a strong southern party with the object of declaring a Southern | Produce, etc. Republic, which will include seven provinces, should the Peiyang party become too dominant and the representatives of the South not be given better consideration. "For some time past various rumours concerning the movement has reached here during the past month, but very little attention has been given to it. People who have just returned from . that part of the country are very decided in their views and state that the movement is gradually increasing in strength and that it is time that some notice was taken of it. It is claimed that those living in the Northern provinces are unable to judge of what is really happening in the south and that they are unable to judge conditions in their true perspective. On the other hand, the southerners appear to be very well informed of what is happening in Peking. They believe that some drastic step will be taken with regard to Parliament and that the country will come under the control of the Military Party which will bring into existence the same state of affairs as followed Yuan Shai-kai's action in dissolving the first Republican Parliament. They maintain that this put nearly all of those out of power who fought for the establishment of the Republican form of government and that the country will receive a setback. They maintain that as they would not tolerate Yuan Shih-kai's imperial ambitions neither will they tolerate the governing of this country by what they term the military clique. This is a phase which has to be feared." The "sweets of office" have certainly been flung to some of the southern leaders during the past few months-to propitiate them, it is true, but intrigue is as the breath of life to so many of these men that the outlook is still hopeless for China. Revolution and bloodshed have been the inheritance of China ever since the Republic was dreamed of and became a consummation, and it is to be hoped every effort will be made now to avoid further strife whether it be due to the machinations of officials or discarded servants. Intervention and partition is possible if the same chaotic conditions prevail. The Chinese Parliament, by its disgraceful demonstrations, crushes out every hope of national pro-

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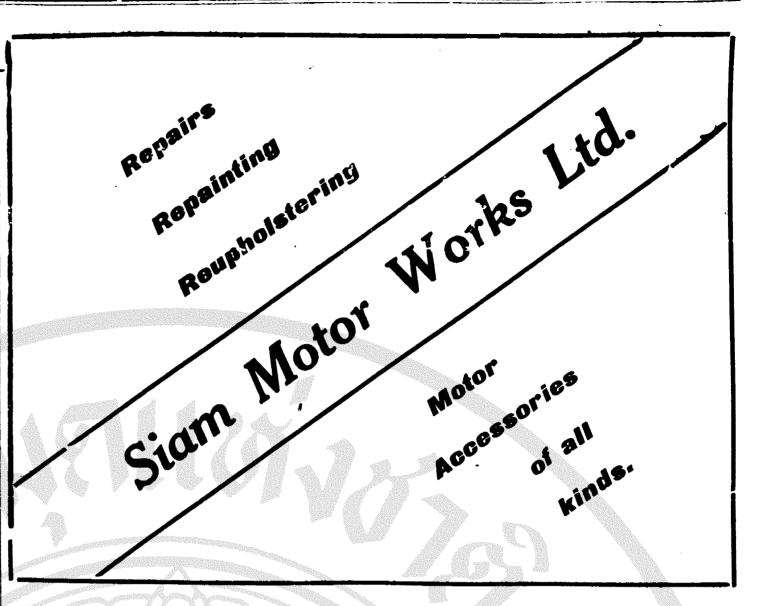
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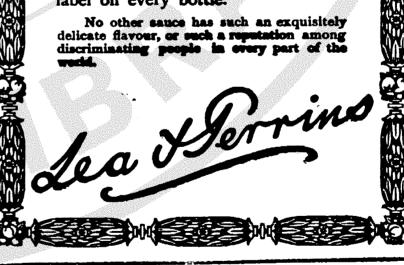
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#### General Haig's Report.

(REUTER'S TELEGRAM.) London, Jan. 8.

General Haig reports :- We repulsed a counter attack and consolidated two posts to the north of Beaumont Hamel. We successfully made a raid at day time on a wide front southeast of Arras and penetrated as far as the third line destroying many dugouts and doing much damage to the enemy's defence. We captured 240 prisoners in minor actions since Christmas. Our aeroplanes bombed a number of places of military importance behind the lines with good results.

#### Italian Advance.

(REUTER'S TELEGRAM.)

London, Jan. 8. wireless Italian official says we advanced 500 metres on the Careo front.

#### Allies' Reply to Wilson,

(HAVAS TELEGRAM.) Paris, Jan. 11.

M. Briand, in the name of all the Allies, yesterday handed to the United States Ambassador the reply to the communication from President Wilson of December 19. The Belgian Minister of Foreign Affairs was present.

#### German Attack Repulsed.

(HAVAS TELEGRAM.)

Paris, Jan. 11. We repulsed after a lively fight an attack against our trenches in the Bois Caurieres inflicting serious losses.

#### North of Metau.

(HAVAS TELEGRAM.)

Paris, Jan. 11. Petrograd.—We broke into the first German line north of Metau and captured 21 heavy and 11 light cannon, also munitions and material.

#### Greece Submits.

(HAVAS TELEGRAM.)

Paris, Jan. 11.

The Greek reply to the ultimatum forwarded on the 10th instant accepts the Entente's conditions.

#### LOCAL AND GENERAL.

MRS. Heyward Hays arrived by the s.s. Halvard to-day.

A NEW selection of films will be screened to-night at the Pathanakorn Cinema.

WE have received from Messrs the Siam Forest Co., Ltd., the local agents for the Manufacturers Life Insurance Co., a wall calendar which has a commercial and strategic map of the British Empire.

#### PADDY REPORT FOR JAN. 12.

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#### German Peace Terms.

("S. O." SPECIAL CORRESPONDENT.) Singapore, Jan. 9.

The impression is growing in America that Germany will disclose the outlines of her peace terms. President Wilson's chastened mood is attributed to the effect of the British blockade. It is reported that Wilson will make another peace move if the Entente declines to state its peace terms.

#### War Tax on Incomes.

("S. O." SPECIAL CORRESPONDENT.)

Singapore, Jan. 9. Yesterday the legislature unanimously passed the first reading of the bill imposing war (a), based on income and agreeing to a graduated tax on all incomes of \$3,000 per annum and up-

#### Dusit Park Fair.

Auction Sale in Aid of Cruiser and Red Cross Funds.

The auction sale at Phra Pradibaddha Bhubal's stall at the Dusit Park Fair last night was well attended. The sa'e was held in aid of the Cruiser Fund and the British Red Cross Fund. When His Majesty heard, that the auce tion was goin, to take place he remarked to H. E. Phya Presiddhi Subhakar that it was for a good cruse and instructed His Excellency to send a Mahadlek to Phra Pradibaddha to inform him that His Majesty would like to be present at the sale. His Majesty arrive lat the stall at about 11 30 when the sale commenced. Miss Van Varasiri being in charge of the hammer. The first article put up for sale, an inlaid lady's writing desk, presented by Mr. E S. Woolfer was bought by His Majesty for Tes. 1000. His Majesty most graciously gave the desk back to be auctioned again and requested that the sum realized on his sale be divided equally between the Cruiser and British Red Cross Funds. After some brisk bidding the desk went to Lu mg Amphai, a judge of the Nagor Svarga Court for Tes. 1,000.

Another inlaid table offered by Mr. A. C. Warwick was next put up for sale, the proceeds to go to the aid of the Cruiser Fand. This was knocked down to Messrs. Swanson and Sehested, the well-known firm of local engineers for Tes. 2200.

The people who attended the sale included Stamese nobles, officials and Europeans and the large stall was crowded.

The bilding throughout was very brisk and among those who bid were His Majesty the King, T. E. Chao Phya Abhai Raja, Chao Phya Dharma, Chao Phya Sri Vichai, Phya Prasiddhi Subhakar, Phya Maha Yodha, Phra Pradibaddha Bhubal, Luang Amphai, Mr. Swanson, Mr Reis and others,

As His Majesty was leaving the stall, the Europeans present gave him three hearty cheers and a tiger.

The auction lasted for about two hours and the foir auctioneer who had an ar luous time is to be congratulated on her powers of persuasion which were in a great measure responsible for the large prices realised.

Phra Pradibaddhadeserves credit for organising a sale for so worthy a cause. He wishes to thank all those who helped to make the sa'e the success it

#### A Correction.

In our is-ue of yesterday under the heading " How a Race Horse Arrived' there appears to be many inaccuracies. In point of fact, the racing pony, "Accelerator," was brought up from Singapore per s.s. "Kulla" and not per s.s. "Kulla" shipped in the 'tween decks entirely under cover and enclosed by bourding, breast high, on all form stills. Those bounds form some all four sides. These boards form some of the premanent cattle fittings, with which s.s. "Kuda" is supplied, and further, the horse was standing on a wooden deck furnished with hattens and was also provided with coir matting. The local agents inform us thate while it is true that the shipshad an exceelingly half voyage, there was no cargo of any discription within range of the animal's box, and if the pony arrived in poor condition, this was not in any way due to carelessness on the part of those in charge of the vessel.

#### A New Steamship for this Port.

It may interest our readers to know that telegraphic advices from Singapore have been received by the local agents to the effect that the new Straits Steamship Co.'s s.s. "Kepong" is due to leave Singapore for Bangkok, to-day. We are informed that she can carry about 1,500 tons cargo over the bar and 2,700 tons when fully loaded, and we unders and that she is built on somewhat different lines to the s.s. "Kajang" and s.s. "Kamuning." She should arrive . here on Tuesday morning,



#### Court Circular.

GRAND PALACE,

Thursday, January 11. To-day at noon His Majesty the King took the Ceremonial Bath (Mürdhäbhiskeka) in accordance with ancient Royal usage. During the Ceremonial Bath the priests recited the "Jayamangala" Stanzas and music was played. 1 The ancient guns used in the ceremony were fired

During this auspicious hour the Royal White Umbrella of State was raised and fixed behind the Throne in the Throne Room of Ananta Samagom Palace. After the Ceremonial Bath the King proceeded to the Ceremonial Hall where He presented the usual gifts to sixty priests, while the priests who were born in the same year as His Majesty received from the King's hands other special gifts in addition. The Ceremonial Candle which had been kept alight since the evening of the 8th inst. was then extinguished by the Most Reverand Somdech Phya Vanarat. The priests then recited the customary blessings, after which the King retired.

In the afternoon the Brahmin priests of the Court celebrated the e-remony of blessing the Royal Palace according to Brahminical rituals.

At ? o'clock 22 minutes and 24 seconds, the hour being auspicious, His Majesty the King proceeded in State procession from Ambara Palace to Ananta Samagom Palace. The following was the Order of Procession : -Grand Marshal His Majesty's Legal Councillor. of the Courts

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The Army and the Navy fired a Royal Strate of one hundred and one guns. The King entered the Throne Room and seated hims-If on the Throne Stone beneath the Royal White Umbrella, wherepuon the State trumpeters blew a funfare and the State drummers beat the metal drums, while the military Guard of honour presented arms and the military band played the National Authem. The Enthrones ment Rites in accordance with ancient Royal Custom were then celebrated by the Brahmin Priests of the Court.

Note: As the Buddhist Liturgy does not contain any enthronement rituals, it has always been celebrated in accordance with Brahminical rituals.

Chief Brahmin Priest Vamadeva sang the sacred Brahmin hymn known as "The Opening of Kailasa" (the abode of Siva), whereby the Chief Deities were invoked to bless the King. This was followed by a hymn 'to Siva. sung by Brahmin Priest Luang Raja Muni, and a hymn to Vishnu, sung by Deputy Chief Brahmin Priest Ashtacharya. At the conclusion of the rite, the King threw gold and silver Bikulya flowers to the Brahmin Priests who celebrated the above rite.

Field Marshal His Royal Highness Prince Bhanurangsi, A. D. C., then fead a loyal address on behalf of the Princes and Princesses of the Blood, and all officials and their wives. presenting their felicitations to His Majesty on the completion and inauguration of the Palice. The King was pleased to make a reply from the Throne. At the end of the Royal Reply the State trumpeters once more blew a fanfare.

The King then proceeded to the Southern wing of the Palace, whereupon the Guards Division of the Royal Army, which were formed in columns in the grounds, saluted His Majesty and the band played the National Anthem, at the end of which the King returned in State procession to Ambara Palace.

In the evening at 8 o'clock His Majesty the King entertained to dinner at Ananta Samagom Palace the Princes, Princesses, officers and officials and Ladies of gentle birth who were born

in the same year as His Majesty. In addition to those born in the same year as the King, the following Princes and Princesses also had the honour of

dining at the King's table, namely, Their Royal Highnesses Prince Bhanurangsi, the Princess of Ratna Kosindra, the Prince of Nag or Svarga, the Prince of Bishulok, the Princess of Bejraburi, the Prince of Nagor Rajasima, the Prince of Sukhodai, Prince Narisra Nuvattivongsa, the Prince of Lobburi, Princess Malini, and Princess Nibha.

Among those born in the same year as His Majesty and who had the honour of Jining with the King were four Europeans in His Majesty's service, batuely: Police-Major Sylow and Police-Major C. H. Forty of the Gendarmerie, Mr. Justice Thornsty and Mr. P. R. Kemp, of the Royal Stary y Department.

During dinner His Royal High toes Prince Bhanurangsi, on behalf of those born in the same year as His Majesty, made a loyal a liber condering His Majesty their humble congratulations on this auspicious occasion. The King was pleased to make a reply expressing his pleasure in seeing his guests in so great a number assembled, who, His Majesty hopes, will be of assists ance to him in the furtherance of the wilfare of State, After dinner the King was graciously pleased to bestow upon each of them a Royal

#### GRAND PALACE.

Friday, January 12. This afternoon at 4 o'clock His Majesty the King went in a motor-car to Ananta Samagom Palace. His Masty proceeded to the principal balcony of the Palace where he received the homage of the populace.

His Excellency Phya Sri Dharmadhiraja, Under Secretary of State for Local Government, read a loyal address on behalf of the cit zens expressing their deep gratitude for the benevolent protection they had enjoyed under His Maj sty's rule since His Majesty's accession to the Throne. They prave I the King to accept a pair of metal drums | in ancient style as a sign of their unalterable loyalty towards His Majesty's Person and firelly offered the King their wishes for a long and prosperous reign. His Majosty was pleased to reply accepting the presents and thanking them for the expression of their loyalty and assured them of his benevolent protection.

After the roply the populace cheered His Majesty.

#### The Great Winson Company.

#### Change of Programme.

The above company of Chinese magicians who have been specially engaged to perform at the Pathanalai Theatre have, during the list three nights, drawn crowded houses. They are a very clever troupe of illusionists, jugglers, gynerasts, acroba's and mazicians. To night they will present a completely new programme and a full house is expected.

#### Church Services.

#### Christ Church.

Evensong Service at 6 p.m. 14th January 1917. Processional Hymn 522 Oh, for a thousand tongues to sing. Hymn 211 Lord, when we bend before Thy Throne.

277 Nearer, my God, to Thee. 274 Through the night of doubt and sorrow.

Psalm 73 Chant 148. Magnificat Nunc Dimittis Rathbone.

#### S. Mary's Mission.

Sunday January 14-2nd Sunday after Epiphany.
9 a. m.—Holy Communion and Ser-

Hymns, Come, Holy Ghost, our souls inspire. Songs of thankfulness and praise. To Christ, the Prince of Peace. Thou Who at Thy first Eucharist didst pray. Jesu, grant me this

I pray. 4 p.m.—Sunday School. Wednesday—January 17.

6.30 p.m.—Short Service of Prayer for those engaged in the War.

#### Consuls Seized.

Athens, -A telegram from Syra (an Ege m island) says that a French detachment has arrested the Consuls for Germany, Austria, and Turkey, who will be transported to their respective countries.

Two Greek deputies and a merchant on the island, presumably implicated in the submarine campaign, have been ordered to leave the place within twenty-four hours.

Syra is an important coaling station and lies near where the Britannic and Braemar Castle were sunk.]

#### Permanent Annexation.

Rotterdam,-General von Blume indicates in the "Kolnische Volkszeitnng" that the Germanic Powers intend permanently annexing parts of conquered Rumania with the object of protecting the Baghdad route and of securing a permanent additional corn

#### Duel Over Racmaekers.

#### Pro German Aggressor Killed in Spain.

Paris.--Prominence is given in Spanish newspapers which have just arrived here to an account of a fatal duel about M. Raemackers' cartoons, Professor Vincente Gay, an enthusiastic pro German and a great admirer of Teutonic Kulture, prot dedartinst

the exhibition of M. Reemackers' works. He used highly off usive expressions in discussing the matter with Senor Iglesias Hermida, the organiser of the exhibition, who demanded an explana ion. The profe sor said that the question could be a tiled only by arms. He named his a conds, one of

whom was a German officer. The dust was fought with swords after the soverest conditions had been drawn up Professor Gay flung himself on his opponent. The combat was so violent that two pais of swords were brok n in the first round.

During a pause the second advised Senor Gay to be less fur ous, but he replied that he wanted to kill Senor Hermida. The duel was resumed, Senor Hermida remaining on the defensive. Senor Gay rush-d upon him with increased fury. The defender, a very able swordsman, was able to ward off the blows, and at last, weary of parrying his opponent's wild rushes, he thrust at him and pierced his throat. Senor Gay died eight hours later.

#### Bulgar Mass Levy.

#### "No Peace Until All Balkans Cleared."

Amsterdam, - S dia messages declare that after Bucarest the next task of the German Powers is to capture Valona (the Albanian port in Italian occupation) and join hands with Greece.

Bulgaria is about to introduce a Mass Levy Bill on the German lines. This anneancement was made to the Berlin "Mi tags Zeitung" by "a Bulgarian statesman" visiting Berlin,

The statesman said that M. Radoslaveff's promise of good news shortly had been wrongly interpreted as meaning that the fall of Bucarest would bring about an early peace. "No serious politician in Bulgaria dreams of peace until the whole of the Balkan Peninsula [which includes Macedonia and old Greece] is cleared of the enemy, No peace is possible for us except on the basis of the abandenment by Russia of her dream of custuring Constantincule. Thanks to Hindenburg's generalship and our uniform front we have all the trumps in our hand.

#### Meatless Days.

#### 2 And 3 Course Meals.

Board of Trade, The Board of Frade have made an Order under the Defence of the Realm Regulations reculating weals in hotels, restaurants, and other places of public eating. Except with the express authority of

the Board of Trade no articles of food shall be served by or consumed in any inn. Refreshment house, Mess, hotel, Boarding house, Cant en, Restaurant, Club, Hall, or any other place of publie eating in the form of or as part of a meal consisting of more than three courses if the meal begins between 6 pain, and 9.30 p.m., or of more than two courses if the meal begins at any

other time. Plain cheese shall not be regarded as a course, and hors-d'œuvre (not containing any preserved or freshly cooked fish, meat, poultry, or game) dessert (consisting only of raw and dried fruit, and soup prepared in the ordinary way which does not contain any meat, poultry, or game in a solid from shall each be computed as half

Any p rson acting in contravention of the above provision is guilty of a

summary offence against the Defence of the Realm Regulations. The Order shall apply to Great Britain and Ireland and shall not come into force until December 18,

It is proposed shortly to make a further Order prohibiting, both in places of public eating and in private houses, the consumption on certain days of meat, poultry, and game.

#### Belgian Deportations.

Amsterdam, The "Handelsblad" urges the Dutch Government to ask the German Government to give Belgians who are to be deported the choice of going to Holland. The German Government by accepting such a request, that paper says, would show that its object in deporting Belgians is not to obtain compulsory labour.-Reuter.

#### Emperor's Legacy to Actress.

Berne,--The will of the Emperor Francis Joseph leaves £50,000 to the actress Katherine Schraat, who was a friend of the Emperor for many years.

The clause in the will is dated some years back. His granddaughter Princess Elizabeth, who married Prince Liechtenstein in 1903, inherits the same sum.— Wireless Press.

#### German £5 Worth £3 6s. 11d.

A hundred marks (£5) were worth in Stockholm last month only £3 6s. 11d., the lowest yet recorded in Sweden. A hundred Austrian kroner (£4) were worth only a little over £2 28. 9d.



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#### Bishop's Visit to Ruhleben.

National Anthem Sung by Prisoners.

Bishop Bury, of Northern Europe, who arrived in London after spending a week at the British camp at Rubleben, was interviewed by Reuter. He summed up his experience in the following words :-

"This never-to-be-forgotten week among my countrymen has made me more thankful than ever that I am an Englishman, and, if I am not very much mistaken, my imprisoned countrymen at Ruhleben have made the enemy respect us and our brave men at

the front.' Discussing his experiences, the Bishop said: "My visit was a great surprise to the men, as I am the only Englishman that has been admitted to Germany during the war. I at once explained to them that I came after an invitation from the German authorities and with the full sanction of my own Government as Bishop of Northern

In all my varied experience I have never seen a better organised bit of community life. The prisoners administer their own affairs entirely, and the German Guard and the official censor seem to be there just to fulfil requirements.

Disciplined Camp Life. "The whole arrangements of camp life are entirely under discipline. This applies equally to games, shops. school—which is like a small university kitchens, theatre, and arts and science classes. All are perfectly organised. No profits are made, and charges of all kinds only meet the cost of ex-

penses.
"Among the 3,600 prisoners there is no crime, and the moral standard is much higher than is usual in a community of such dimensions. All kinds of civilising, humanising, and spiritual influences are at work. As for food, the men practically live upon their parcels from home. Everything that goes to the life of the camp in the way of materials, etc., has been sent out from this country or provided at the expense of the British Government. I may add that all letters from the men may be relied upon as accurate, as practically everyone with whom I came in contact said they found it so difficult to persuade relations at home that they were not keeping something back. "Fair and Straights."

man in full sympathy with the pris- that it contains no harmful drug. For oners. Although he could have done

so had he wished, he never once atten! ! a meeting at which I spoke, and I was allowed to bring away every note I made, and every paper given to me. "In fact, I was never once interfered with in the slightest degree from full and uninterrupted connection with the men from start to finish.

"On the last night of my stay I obtained permission for the prisoners to sing "God Save the King," and this was repeated when I addressed the whole camp in the open air. I shall never forget the scene of indescribable anthusiasm.

"During my visit to the officers' camp at Blankenberghe the prisoners were kind enough to say that my coming was a breath of fresh air. When I was received at the War Office by General Friedrich, who was surrounded by his Staff, he told me that I was quite free to strengthen and encourage the nationality of my own countrymen; and, further, to visit any camp in Germany, an offer which, to my great regret, I could not accept, as all arranges ments had been made for my return to London.

The Rishop travelled to and from Berlin on his English passport.

29,297 Deaths In Two Years.

Amsterdam, Dec. 2.- A Berlin telegram states that statistics have been published regarding sanitary conditions among prisoners of war in camps in Germany, according to which on August 1 this year there were 1,663,-794 prisoners of war in Germany, 29,297 having died during the two years of war, 6,032 from tuberculosis 4,201 from spotted fever, 6,270 from

wounds, and 1,603 from other illnesses.
The cases of tuberculosis were decreasing, thanks to brilliant medical treatment, and numerous patients were able to leave the sanitary institutions. The statistic: say that only 0.10 per thousand prisoners of war committed suicide .-- Reuter.

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#### Strewn With German Bodies.

Thus writes Mr. W. Beach Thomas with the British Army in the field :-The murk that has settled down over the country has added the last touch of ; brutality to battlefields always incredibly brutal. Perhaps the silence helps. Few and fewer shells whine through the fog, and more and more of the few thump into the mud without explosion. All the firing is blind; and perhaps for that reason each shell fuller of fear; for the finer courage is debased into fatalism and mere reliance on the law of average. And in the mud and mist you notice the details of the battlefield in more particular detail, now that the general view is cut off

and all ground is dead ground. The great crater by Beaumont-Hamel looks like the bed of an emptied lake strewn with the bodies and bits of the bodies of its old denizens. Here we blew up a quantity of German dugouts tunnelled into the side of the older crater; and the su-cessive tons of explosive, besides doing their deadly work have altered the very landscape. Close by, at the bottom of a trench, the Germans lie head to head strung out in a line where they rushed from the escape mouth of their dug-out into a cascade of bombs and perhaps an enfilading rifle. Egg-bombs and oysterbombs and hair brush bombs are scattered everywhere -small refuse left, it might be, by a receding tide, along with the burden of mud-drowned bodies.

Day after day and night after night our burial parties have been at work. At any moment you may meet the padre returning with his group of men from the latest field burial. The business is nearly done, but it never quite ends. The Germans lived in this quarter for two years, working all the time, and left more caves than could be reckoned in a day, even if the shells had not rootled in the trough of mud and rubbish for five months. Stores and tombs still lie undiscovered, and diggers a century hence will still find discs and chains that were to announce the identity of the victims.

The power of ugliness could no farther go. Everything visible and audiable or tangible to the senses-to touch, smell, and perception—is ugly beyond imagination. The hanks of wrenched and rotted wire suggest that the very soil has turned into a sort of matter hostile to all kindly productiveness. And so will the waste look till spring comes and proves that after all fertility lives. Indeed, lest mere disair should be bred by the gust and des spectacle of ruin, nature is already sending a message of spring, a miracle

of the season. The miracle is this: that the battered trees, just now as bare as telegraph poles, are putting out young, green leaves; and in one place great comfrey leaves even now conceal the very whereabouts of a trench we pounded and captured during this battle of the Somme.

#### Emperor's Funeral.

Coffin Handed Over to Capuchin Monks.

Berne. - A telegram from Vienna states that the funeral of the late Emperor of Austria took place at St. Štephen's Cathedral,

Court functionaries headed the procession. Then came the hearse drawn by eight black horses, surrounded by forty-eight soldiers of the Imperial Bodygnard, eight lackeys carrying torches, and eight pages carrying crucifixes. There were tens of thousands of spectators.

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After the funeral service the Emperor and all the other royalties walked behind the collin to the Church of the Capachins, where, after the Benediction, the coffin was carried to the crypt. Only the Emperor, the Grand Master of the Court and two Chamberlains followed the coffin thither. In their presence the coffin was formally handed over to the custody of the Capuchin Monks. The golden key of the coffin was handed to the senior monk, who was solemaly requested to watch well over the imperial corpse-Wireless

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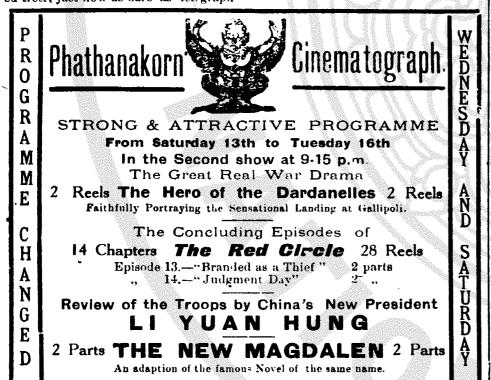




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#### The Siberian Express. Improvement Wanted.

In a letter to the Reck a writer calls attention to the necessity for a number of improvements in the trans-Siberian express service if the latter wishes to justify its claim to be regarded as a modern and convenient, as well as the shortest, route between West and East. A recent journey from Petrograd via Harbin and Dairen to Shanghai, thence to Japan, and via Vladivostock back to Petrograd, affords him occasion to make several observations about the Siberian express, which sets out once a week both from Petrograd and Vladi-

To begin with, it is almost impossible to obtain a ticket for the train even two weeks ahead without having direct two weeks ahead without naving direct access to a Ministry, inasmuch as on the train by which I, at least, had to travel, there was only one first-class coach (eight small coupes and four in the mixed coach), of which one was allotted to the chef de train and two others were also commised by officials. others were also occupied by officials. In the majority of the other sections were passengers bound for near stations (Viatka—Perm), beyond which these places remained empty. Is it fitting to give places to such short-distance passengers to the detriment of those bound for remote points?

Since nine days must be spent in the train, the question of catering is one of no small importance. For this purpose there is a restaurant car. The task of the caterer is far from an easy one, especially that of obtaining fresh provisions throughout the journey. This problem could be lighten. ed if, along the entire line, the buffets were leased to one and the same person on the easiest terms, or, still better, gratis; but, seeing that passengers for nine days at a stretch are wholly at the caterer's mercy, since as a rule at intermediate stations the buffets do not function, it is essential that the greatest care should be taken to guarantee the quality of the food which he supplies. Stale sterlet or game that has been kept in refrigera-tors all winter should be unconditionally excluded, and game should be allowed only when it is absolutely fresh. The requirements of hygiene are equally necessary as regards the scrupulous cleanliness of the kitchen and of the restaurant attendants, who at present are clad in dirty liveries, their hands unwashed, and their nails black! For the convenience of pass the restaurant car ought to be in the centre. This is particularly important seeing that the bath is installed in the same car, to reach which at present one must pass through all

the other cars, the restaurant included. Owing to the present inconvenient arrangement, the majority are obliged to forgo the bath, which, moreover, is

frequently out of order. Another defect is inadequate ventilation. The windows lack net-screens to keep out the coal dust, so that the passenger must either close the windows and submit to being stifled by overheated, impure air, or open the windows and soil his clothes and the coupe with soot. On Japanese trains on the South Manchuria Railway electric fans are installed, not only in the restaurant car, but also in every coupe. These fans can be turned on 'and off at the passenger's option, at any hour, to the inestimable enhancement of his physical comfort during summer travel. On the Siberian express, on the contrary, there is only one (electric) ventilator, and that in the restaurant car, and great persistence is necessary to induce the attendants to set it in motion. As a rule the answer is. "It's out of order," or "The current insufficient" (in the day time too), and generally one observes a desire to conserve the electricity. The lavatories on the Siberian express are not supplied with seperate taps for hot and cold water. Then, the water is usually dirty; there are no towels and soap, so that unless the passenger possesses his own, he can-not enjoy a wash. The water stored on the Siberian Railway is not only no filtered, but is not even passed through gauze, so that it is always dirty, freqnently close the pipes, &c. Why are there not on these trains women specially employed to keep the counce tidy and to dust several times a day: Why, in lieu of carpets, which constitute hotbeds of dust, dirt, and infec-tior, cannot we have linoleum, which is both cheaper and more durable?

#### Manchurian Railways Contrasted.

The outlay required for the aforesaid improvements is too insigificant to merit discussion. How is it that on entering the South Manchuria express you are literally charmed by every convenience? The equipment of the lavatories is ideal; the organisation of the restaurant car, the entire service, the attendants, who astonish you with the cleanliness of their hands and clothing (white) -in general, the whole environment; the more than excellent dinner, faultlessly cooked and s-rved-all these details are so well thought out that involuntarily one asks oneself the question: Is all this possible in a restaurant car? It is rather more appropriate for the most fashionable Paris restaurant! And the the attendants, their readiness to oblige, and, above all, their our new Allies and not among us? Incidentally (concludes the writer), the

Japanese delegates were given places in a car with gas illumination; moreover, the gas gave out half-way and our honourable guests had to travel in the dim light of candles.

#### Telegraph Lines.

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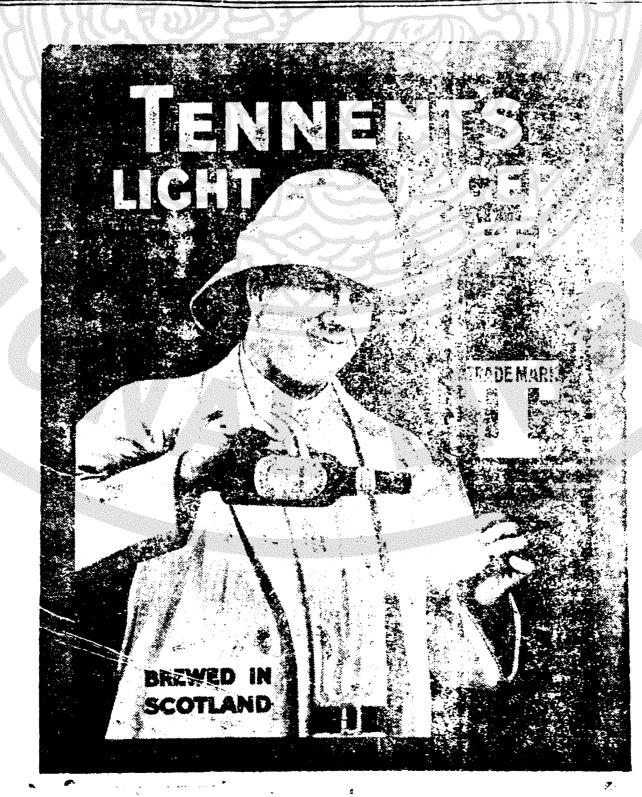
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