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Necessity of Counter-Stroke To Germany.

Instead of Germany building a Berlin-to-Bagdad railway, events in the East indicate that it may be the task of American or British capital to finance the commercial union of Orient and Occident by new and speedier routes, terminating possibly in the new Jewish state of Palestine, under inter-Allied protection. Just as the opening of the West absorbed America's energies after the Civil War, so the opening of Central and Western Asia may follow the world conflict, says the Daily Financial American. A railway line uniting the Mediterranean with Mesopotamia and the Persian Gulf in the south should be pushed through Persia to the Caspian sea to head off German ambition lately diverted to that region. There it should be linked by steamers with the great Russian Central Asiatic system, the Turkestan and Caucasus lines. The construction of this trade route would foil Germany's designs to monopolise Asiatic trade by the Black Sea route and would remove that trade from the menace of the Turk sitting at the gateway of the Dardanelles, which he has held closed for three years. Mesopotamia produced bread for a populous empire in the days of Babylon and Nineveh. Irrigation was the source of its power like that of Egypt. Restoration of fertility and development on plans similar to that which have been followed on the Nile are part of the British programme. Bagdad is still the centre of a population of 640,000 and is a large market for wool, gum, opium, wheat, dates, horses, hides, flax and leather. Persia is rich in all these products and has developed large petroleum wells near the Euphrates outlet aided by British capital. Her silks, carpets, rugs, turquoise, and perfumes are famous. The population numbers more than 7,500,000. From the Persian port of Bush, on the Caspian, there are steamship lines connecting with the big Caucasus and Turkish railways. The latter penetrates Central Asia in a giant semi-circle of more than 2,500 miles, tapping the large native markets of Merv, Bukhara, Samarkand, Kokand and Tashkent, and others of lesser note among the tribesmen to the north.

Russia, half developed herself, is too feeble to take advantage of the great trade opportunities she has opened in Persia and Central Asia by her vast railway enterprise. Germany, with her clutch now laid on the Black Sea, its ports and shipping, nears the gateway to these regions through the Caspian Sea ports. Her agents are inflaming native fanaticism, trading on the alliance of Kaiser and Sultan and spreading the view that Wilhelm is a follower of Mohammed.

German Kultur.

The following imaginary dialogue between a Dutchman and a German is published in The Telegraaf:—
German: Donnerwetternocheinmal. Can't you hold your snout, you Dutch lot?
Dutchman: But don't I want wheat for my bread?
German: What do I care about that? Don't I send you coal?
Dutchman: Yes, but—
German: None of your impudence. And what do you send me in exchange?
Dutchman: Vegetables, cheese, milk, and meat; in fact, a little of everything, and I gave you credit too.
German: What are you growling about? Be thankful that you are still allowed to barter. We might have taken all we want of you without giving you a scrap in return.
Dutchman: Have you the right to do so?
German: Right? I make my own right.
Dutchman: But my wheat?
German: Damn your wheat. Have we any wheat?
Dutchman: At least allow us to give tonnage to America in exchange for wheat.
German: Certainly not. If you give up tonnage you strengthen the enemy, and he who does that is my enemy also.
Dutchman: And what do you do to your enemy?
German: I club him to death and I take all he possesses.
Dutchman: Therefore, if I give up tonnage you will club me to death, and if I do not I shall starve to death.
German: I don't object. Do I ask you to keep alive? It is we who must live, you don't matter a damn. Good morning.

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Local Sanitary Department.
23th June, 1918.

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Notification of the Minister of Finance appointing a Liquidator for winding up Enemy Businesses under the Law Forbidding Trade with the Subjects of Enemy Countries.

Whereas the businesses of the Siam Stone Works Co., Ltd., and Srisavav Mines Ltd., Bangkok, appear to be carried on mainly for the benefit of persons of enemy nationality.

Therefore the said businesses are, in pursuance of Article 8 of the Law Forbidding Trade with the Subjects of Enemy Countries, ordered to be attached and wound up, and Nai Seng Sriabhaya appointed liquidator therefor.

Notification issued on the 26th day of June B. E. 2461.

(Signed) KITIVAKARA,
Minister of Finance.

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Notice.

The Navigation Lock at Bang Hia will be closed for repairs from 1st July B. E. 2461. Boats cannot pass through this lock until the said repairs are completed.

Royal Irrigation Department,
Bangkok, 20th June B. E. 2461.
(Signed) C. D. GEE,
Acting Director General, R. I. D.
20-5 Jy.

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Ex s.s. "Mexico Maru"
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are hereby notified that same have arrived per s.s. "Fukushima Maru", on 3rd instant and will be landed and stored at our Bangkok wharf, at the risk, expense, and responsibility of Consignees.

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Goods not cleared within three days after final discharge will be liable for godown rent.

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Notice.

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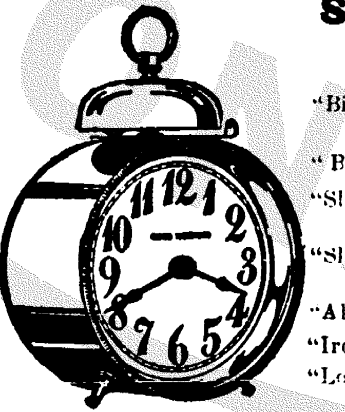
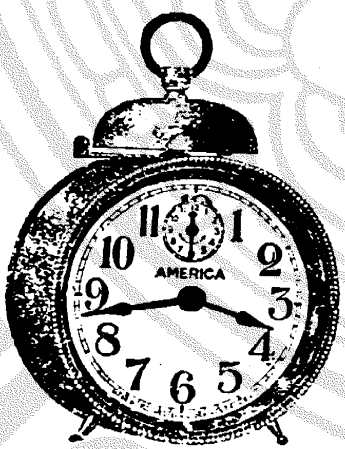
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THE

Great War.

The Italian Front.

(REUTER'S TELEGRAM.)

London, July 2.

Italian Official:—Supported by our Allies we captured Monte Val Bella on June 29th after a bitter struggle.

Large masses of the enemy counter-attacked day and night but were repulsed by infantry and decimated by artillery and aeroplane machine-gun fire.

The position is victoriously held.

We took prisoner twenty-one officers and seven hundred and eighty-eight men belonging to four divisions also cannon, trench-mortars and machine-guns.

We captured a well-fortified post on the southern slopes of Sasso Rosso taking prisoner thirty-three.

Austria's Food Problem.

(REUTER'S TELEGRAM.)

London, July 2.

A telegram from Vienna states that the Emperor Karl, owing to insoluble difficulties of food shortage, wrote to the Kaiser thereabout.

A conference occurred at the main Head Quarters, the Hungarian Food Minister participating.

It is stated an agreement was reached relative to a joint systematic utilisation of all grain stock until the new harvest.

LOCAL AND GENERAL.

••• THERE will be no issue of this journal tomorrow in honour of the American Independence Day.

THE s.s. *Mata Hari* is due to arrive on Sunday next to load for Singapore direct.

FORTY one bags of European mail were landed here this morning s.s. *Fukushima*.

THE s.s. *Chututuck* has arrived from Chantaboon and the *Suddadib* from Singapore.

THE new Austrian daily bread ration of 90 grammes is equivalent to about three ounces.

OVER 5,000 military cases have been successfully treated with flaxine, the non-toxic anti-septic, in a year at the Middlesex Hospital.

A TON of field glasses has been given by citizens of San Francisco to the marine corps as the result of an appeal made to the public because of the shortage of lenses in America.

THE Post and Telegraph Department reports that Tavoy line is still imperfectly working between Tavoy and Bangkok. Train line is not properly working between Rangoon and Bangkok. Other lines are in right.

RICE again shows an upward tendency in Japan, mainly due to the scarcity of foreign supplies and the retailers' disinclination to sell imported rice. The prison authorities have been preparing to use foreign rice.

THE *Mindanao Herald* of May 4 says that the ex-German steamer *Borneo* (formerly interned at Zamboanga) is now named the "Nipic." She lately visited Sabah and took away a cargo of 3,000 tons of coal for Zamboanga. This may be her last trip in Eastern waters as the ship is being sent to the United States.

LATEST Adv's. The Local Sanitary Department notifies that Bhidiya Satuan Bridge (Japan Lek) will be closed to traffic from the 8th inst. owing to repairs.

The Anglo-Siam Corporation has a notice to consignees.

T. S. Apear will sell a quantity of valuable home-hold furniture on Sunday 7th inst. at Rong Muang Road.

The mid-week programme of the Pathanakorn is advertised.

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DURING his recent stay in London an American officer found himself in a severe storm. One afternoon a young man in civilian clothes was passing. He said to the American, "Won't you share my umbrella with me," and they walked along the street together for some distance. It suddenly occurred to the American officer that he had told the stranger a good deal about himself, including his name. The American noticed that everyone whom they passed seemed to know his young companion and bowed to him. So he turned to this civilian and said "I have told you a good deal about myself—may I ask who you are?" The young man answered: "I am the Prince of Wales."

Havas Wires from Singapore.

China and the War.

Paris, June 28.

Interviewed by a reporter of *Le Journal*, the Chinese General Han Lin-Obouen, who has just arrived in Paris from America, declared that the Americans are doing great things towards winning the war. He added that China has been constrained to enter the war by the abominable German intrigues—[the word received is "intrigues"]—which have created an anti-German feeling which will long remain. We are preparing for all eventualities, the General said; and it is because China is ready to answer any call which might be made upon her that you see me here.

French Appreciation of America.

M. Clemenceau, the French Premier, has visited the American sector of the French front in order to signalise the American success at Belleau wood, north-west of Chateau Thierry. He talked intimately with the men who had taken part in the fighting.

The Premier recalled that he had entered Richmond (Virginia) five days after General Grant, in the Civil War, and that he had then an opportunity to appreciate the fine fighting qualities of the Americans.

American Appreciation of France.

Dr. MacFarland, the American Secretary of the Council of the Churches of Christ, has presented a message to the people of France, in which he states:—"Our religious leaders are seeking to understand the French spiritual life, as you are helping to de-throne the materialistic god, and to clarify our thinking, as we measure distinctions between selfishness and self-sacrifice, loyalty and faithlessness."

The New Airman.

A lieutenant of the French Flying Corps flew from Paris to Marseille in little over five hours of flying time. The distance from Paris to Marseille being 536 miles, the airman's flying speed averages slightly over 100 miles an hour.

South of the Aisne.

Paris, June 30.

Several powerful German counter-attacks were made on the important positions won by the French troops yesterday between the Aisne and the forest of Villers Cotterets, but they proved costly failures. All the ground gained was firmly held by the victorious forces.

The attack had been delivered with such dash that the Germans were completely overthrown and unable to recover their balance. Under the intensity of the French artillery and infantry fire the enemy was partially mowed down, the survivors seeking shelter in the cellars of the village houses or elsewhere.

The first German attempt at reaction came in a powerful counter attack north-east of Oulry, when the enemy sustained terrific losses. With new forces the Germans, three hours later, delivered two simultaneous attacks west and east of Saint Pierre-Aigle, which broke down under the French artillery and machine-gun barrage.

The Expected Offensive.

It is to be noted that the French and the British have taken the initiative in the majority of the local operations of the last few days, so that the enemy is being compelled to keep careful watch over the whole length of his line, and consequently is prevented from carrying out certain movements.

Besides the Allied airmen are now aware of all the methods used by the Germans to camouflage the movements of their troops, and are reporting everything going in the rear, so that there is no fear of surprise.

The French "Ace."

Lieutenant Fonck, the French "Ace," has scored his fiftieth victory in the air. Last Wednesday he downed three German machines, and on Friday morning two more.

America and France.

Washington:—The American Government has decided to make New York the centre of the official celebration of July 14th, the French National Day. It is probable that President Wilson will make a great speech on France, in Madison Square.

A Former Italian Minister.

The many friends of Marquis de la Penne, late Minister to Siam and presently Italian Plenipotentiary to Colombia, will be glad to learn that he has been lately nominated a Grand Cordon of the Royal Order of "Isabella la Católica" in appreciation of diplomatic services rendered by him to the Spanish Government.

Marquis de la Penne has at the same time been the recipient of a high Italian decoration.

New Port Regulations at Manila.

The American Consul at Bangkok has received a cablegram from Governor-General Harrison stating that the defensive sea areas in effect at Manila Bay have been modified as follows:—

South Channel from Monja Island to Limbona Island is closed to traffic at all times. All traffic is limited to North Channel between Guardia Seival and Monja Island and only permitted between sunrise and sunset and after permission has been granted and in strict accordance with the regulations at the entrance. All entering vessels must stop outside Monja Island and await instructions from patrol vessel or Cochinos Point signal station. Compliance with these regulations will be enforced.

Rescue At Sea.

The s.s. *Chinkua* on her way from Swatow to Singapore sighted on the 17th June something afloat and Captain Rees Lewis at once gave orders to the ship to proceed to the place. On arriving closer it became apparent that it was a bamboo raft with three men on it. The ship's boat was manned to be sent out but by the Captain's clever seamanship the ship was able to get alongside the raft. The rescued men were in a very pitiable and exhausted condition when picked up, but by the great care and attention they received on board the *Chinkua* the men soon recovered. They stated that they had been drifting for seven days on the raft and had only had something to eat and drink on the first two days. They acknowledged that they have come from Palo Condor, the French convict settlement. When picked up they were 350 miles from Palo Condor. The men were, on arrival in Singapore, handed over to the authorities and may probably soon find themselves again installed at their residence at Palo Condor. Captain Rees has lately returned to this run after having been home on leave where he had undergone a successful operation. We understand that Capt. Rees Lewis had on several occasions before distinguished himself in saving lives at sea.

Abstract of Foreign Trade.

The total number and tonnage of foreign steamers and sailing ships which have called at the Port of Bangkok during the month of June 1918 is as follows:—

Nationality of Flag.	No.	Tonnage.
British	16	15,008
Chinese	8	7,704
Norwegian	3	4,786
Japanese	3	1,363
Dutch	3	1,567
French	2	800
TOTAL	37	31,230

Passengers have arrived as follows:

From	Cabin	Deck
" Singapore	54	212
" Hongkong	4	189
" Swatow	25	2,684
" Hoihow	—	308
" Saigon	10	10
Total	93	3,607
Grand total		3,700

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GENERAL Mallette, writing in the Temps, asks how will the war finish? If Germany is not completely disarmed, if "Mitteleuropa" remains constituted on the borders of a Russia powerless to reform herself, then the peace will be only a truce. And the economic struggle on the Asian frontier, and the German penetration in the Far East will compensate for any withdrawal in the West and the economic blockade that will, without doubt, be maintained by the Triple Alliance of France, England and America. And war of a fatal character will be resumed.

Austrians Retreating.

Rome, June 23.—Official: From Montello to the sea the enemy has been defeated and is being closely pursued. He is recrossing the Piave in disorder.

Premier's Speech.

Rome, June 23.—Sr. Orlando, in a speech in the Senate, said that the Italian army had victoriously resisted the greatest onslaught of the war against Italy. Another battle might be joined but meanwhile the Italians were entitled to claim a victory, for considering the enemy's superiority in numbers and his ambitious aims it was not a question of failure but of defeat for him.

It was wrong to say that the enemy's attack on the plateau of Asiago and at Grappa was merely a great demonstration. There was epic fighting there, in which the Anglo-French forces co-operated, which brought the enemy to a standstill in a single day. That deserved to rank with the greatest battles of the world. The Italians, French and British fought in a fraternal concord which a national army could not have surpassed. Indeed, an ardent spirit of emulation intensified the concord of the three armies. Their stubbornness of resistance and fury in assault were so equal that none could be said to have excelled the others.

The gratitude of the country was no less due to the defenders of the Piave where the conditions were so different. The true line of defence was somewhat behind the river and this was heroically maintained without the enemy even succeeding in driving the Italians from the approaches to the river.

Sr. Orlando concluded by eloquently referring to the past seven months of national discipline and anxiety and said that it was praiseworthy for the people to demonstrate their legitimate pride.

The speech was frantically cheered.

British Doings.

London, June 23.—British Italian Official (22nd): The situation is unchanged on the British front. Our counter-batteries were most successful scoring many direct hits on hostile batteries and exploding numerous dumps.

The Yorkshires on the night of the 21st, successfully raided positions south of Asiago, inflicting heavy casualties and taking 31 prisoners.

Between the 12th and 21st we destroyed 28 aeroplanes. Two British machines did not return.

Rome, June 23.—Sr. Orlando informed Parliament last evening that everything was quiet on the whole battle front.

Sea Successes.

Rome, June 23.—In the Senate, Admiral Delbono, Minister of Marine, referring to the recent naval successes, said that the Austrians within a month had lost two and possibly three battleships, besides other smaller vessels damaged. The severity of this blow was increased if they added the loss of the battleship Wien in the port of Trieste, and also the damaged craft and submarines. A remarkable number of submarines had been dealt with.

Austrian Crisis.

Amsterdam, June 21.—Budapest news papers, talking of the Cabinet crisis mention that Count Tisza is the probable successor of Wekerle.

In Vienna it is believed that the Emperor will refuse to accept the resignation of the Cabinet, which will remain unchanged except probably that the Polish Minister Von Wadowski retires, but the position of the Ministers of Commerce and Agriculture is doubtful, both favouring convocation of the Reichsrath.

Amsterdam, June 24.—The Emperor, in an autograph letter to Dr. Seidler, refuses his resignation for the present and instructs him to continue the direction of affairs.

The Emperor returned to Vienna from the front on Sunday.

Amsterdam, June 24.—A Vienna telegram says that to-day's Cabinet meeting decided on the resignation of the entire Cabinet.

Zurich June 24.—The Neue Freie Presse states that the internal condition of Austria is more serious than ever before. A general strike prevails in Budapest, where all munition factories have suspended work. Cavalry are dispersing demonstrators.

The political crisis is expected to mature to-morrow. Parliamentarians forecast that Von Seidler will be requested to form a new Cabinet, although he is opposed by the Socialists, who are masters of the situation and demand a new Parliament.

Amsterdam, June 24.—The new Bulgarian premier interviewed, says that Bulgaria remains faithful to her glorious allies.

London, June 24.—The Swedish Socialist Branting has arrived in London.

A SENSATIONAL theft has been discovered in Peking, says the China Mail in a recent issue. Valuable articles—reported to be worth not less than twenty million dollars—were stolen from the treasury of the Lama Temple, the Yung Ho Kung. One Choa Yu-shan and the Abbot of the temple are believed to be implicated. The Director-General of the Board of Mongolian and Tibetan Affairs will personally conduct enquiries into the affair, which will be witnessed by delegates of the Imperial Ching House and the Ministry of the Interior.

Wireless from Paris to Shanghai.

The French wireless station at Koukaza, Sincawei, says the "Shanghai Gazette," has just installed a very powerful receiving apparatus, and the results of the trials have surpassed the most sanguine hopes. The station has been able to pick up direct messages from Berlin, a distance well over 10,000 miles.

This is due to new process of receiving, only quite recently invented in France and very cleverly installed in Shanghai by M. Broelman, the energetic operator of the station. M. Broelman was a private soldier in the French Army, but by reason of his technical ability has risen to the responsible position he now holds.

The messages from Berlin, sent out by the Nauen station, are now received daily but as they are nearly all German propaganda disseminations, the French do not see their way clear to publish them. The other day a message from a Berlin bank containing instructions to their Barcelona branch was picked up.

The station, which has for some time supplied Shanghai with the Washington telegrams via Cavite will be able in the near future to arrange for a direct service with San Diego and ultimately, Washington direct. But the principal aim is to receive messages from Paris direct and our contemporary says it is in a position to announce that this will shortly be accomplished. As soon as the sending apparatus of the Paris Eiffel Tower station has been reconstructed, the French wireless chain around the world will have no more missing links.

The only shortcoming of the station is the weak sender apparatus which scarcely suffices to reach Japan, but as the principal object of this station is receiving, a more powerful sender apparatus will not be installed for the present.

Japanese Tinned Fish.

Since the war began Japan's export trade in tinned foods, especially fish, has steadily increased in spite of ever increasing prices. In 1916 480,000 cases of tinned red salmon were exported, in 1917 the figure was increased to 600,000, and the estimate for 1918, according to the Japan Advertiser's trade informant, is 700,000 to 800,000 cases. Red salmon for England and France forms part of the cargo of every N.Y.K. steamer around the Cape, sometimes running to 50,000 cases per shipment at so high as Y-1 30 per case, and the drain on the sources of supply has created a shortage of stocks and higher rates. Canned mackerel and hahn also occupy a prominent position in the market. In these goods also the shortage in the supply has caused an enormous increase in the prices. Lately big orders have been received but negotiations are believed to be progressing very slowly owing to the high prices quoted, says the Tokio paper. Dried codfish and sardines in Europe have been offered for sale in Europe lately as Japan's special products. According to a prominent exporter the sardines have been well improved and the goods offered are almost equal to the best supplied by France or Norway. Salted dox salmon is also being exported on a fairly large scale. The annual shipment of tinned goods is now reaching Yen 3,000,000.

Women Enslaved.

Not content with enslaving the working population of Belgium and on the invaded portion of Northern France, the Germans have inaugurated slavery in the Grand Duchy of Luxembourg, with which they have not even at war, although they have been occupying it since August 2, 1914. Intelligence just come to hand reveals that the German authorities in the Grand Duchy have commandeered a number of women, whom they compel to work for them as railway engine stokers.

A loud protest has been raised at the Luxembourg House of Deputies against this cruel proceeding, which doubly violates local laws, as the latter not only prohibit forced labour but also expressly forbid female employment on the railway engines. To this protest, Luxembourg Premier could only reply that he had spontaneously invited Germany to release the illegally-commandeered women, and that the German military authorities had simply replied that they "knew no other law than their own necessity."

Why A German Force Surrendered.

A correspondent writes:—In connection with General Van Deventer's despatch the following story of how the enemy force in German East Africa under Trefl came to be captured is of interest:—

A certain officer of the R.F.O. was out on a reconnaissance in the region of the Rovuma River, but found "nothing doing." Having to land he thought it wise first to get rid of his "eggs" so he chose a quiet spot and dropped them, causing of course, considerable noise of explosion. He then flew home. Trefl was then marching to join his chief, von Lettow, but, hearing these explosions, he diverted his line of route considerably (from south-west to south-east), and before long bumped into a British force. Ultimately his whole force, some 3,000 strong, surrendered, as General Van Deventer reports.

The airmen learned the result of the unloading of his "eggs" some time afterwards.

How the Huns Hate.

From an official source in West Africa details have received of an incident which is unique in the history of the Roman Catholic Church.

It having been found necessary to deport from Loue, in Togoland, the German members of the Roman Catholic Mission, Bishop Hummel, of the Gold Coast, proceeded to Loue in order to arrange for the continuity of religious work and ministrations. The Father Superior of the Mission, however, took this opportunity hurriedly to sell the supplies of sacramental wine and of flour intended for the Host in order that the incoming French priests might be prevented from discharging their religious offices, thus showing a cynical indifference to the fact that their congregations would thereby be deprived of the sacraments of the Church.

Through the assistance of the officer commanding the British forces some of these stores have since been recovered.

These incidents certainly afford a remarkable illustration of the extent to which Germans are prepared to allow national animosity to override even the highest of moral and religious considerations.

Wire News.

Washington, June 21.—President Wilson, in a proclamation, places all stockyards in the United States under Federal control.

Wellington, June 21.—The British Government has arranged to purchase New Zealand's wool clips until one year after the war at the same price as has been paid in the past two years.

London, June 20.—In the House of Commons, the Irish Secretary, replying to Mr. Outhwaite, said that there was sufficient evidence to enable the prosecution of the Irish deportees but it was not considered necessary or desirable to prosecute.

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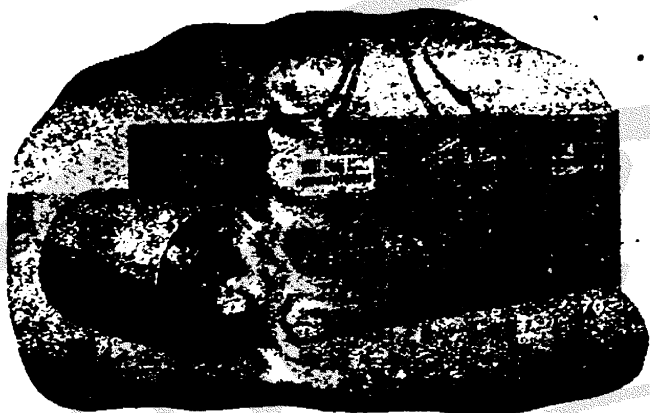
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General Wire News.

London, June 24.—Field Marshal Haig: We carried out a minor enterprise on the night of the 23rd southward of Mervin, killing many Germans and taking prisoner fifty with some machine-guns. We also inflicted casualties and took prisoner a few in raids and patrols at other parts.

London, June 24.—French command: We repulsed an enemy attempt in the region of Antheuil.

The Germans at eleven at night re-attacked the Italian position Mount Bigny, between the Marne and Rheims. After lively fighting the enemy was completely repulsed with serious loss. The Italians took prisoners. A fairly lively artillery duel took place in the Woivre and the Voivre.

London, June 24.—Reuter's correspondent at British Headquarters, (June 24) says that the operation south of Mervin this morning resulted in killing at least a hundred Germans. It took place in the angle which the enemy have thrust in our line west of Baileul, having Mervin and Straz-elle at either end of the base and Fletre near the apex. The Germans have lately paid considerable attention to this part of the line. Any thrust they might contemplate in Flanders would likely be an attempt to advance by this sector on the high ground west of Kemmel. The enemy has hitherto been unable to gain an inch of ground in the direction of Straz-elle. We have now not only dealt him a heavy blow, but attained objectives which have considerably improved the line.

London, June 24.—Brigadier General Seely has been appointed a member of the Council for the new warfare group of the Ministry of Munitions, incorporating the trench warfare and munitions inventions departments.

London, June 24.—In the House of Commons, Mr. Ronald McNeill asked: What are the terms on which Holland has agreed to allow Germany to use the railways at Lemberg? Is the effect of the agreement to set free for purely military traffic the German lines to Belgium, through Vise and Liege?

Lord Robert Cecil replied that the Government had repeatedly pressed the Netherlands Government for precise information respecting the arrangement with Germany. He regretted that the request had hitherto not been met, although the Government has been told that the traffic was confined to civilian goods.

London, June 23.—The Press Bureau says that the Irish Government has issued an appeal to all Irishmen, signed by the Irish Recruiting Council, consisting of Mr. A. M. Sullivan, Mr. Maurice Dockrell, Mr. H. McLaughlin and Mr. Stephen Gwynn, as follows: At His Excellency's request we have

undertaken to organise a voluntary enlistment campaign to be carried on by our own people on their own methods and in their own way. We are conscious of the difficulties, nevertheless we believe we shall receive the willing support even of those suffering from mismanagement and disappointed hope. For all must realise that the first necessity for the peaceful settlement of Ireland's troubles must be the defeat of the tradition of honour and our common Christianity.

Two years ago, our sons and brothers marched shoulder to shoulder. They went in answer to Ireland's call. As they pledged their lives, our country pledged her honour that they should not die in vain, nor should their ranks lack comrades while a soul remained in Erin. The voices of the living dead implore us to keep faith. The war worn remnants of the Irish brigades are reeling beneath the blows of tyranny that would quench the lamp of freedom in Europe. This island is but the cradle of a greater Ireland that lies beyond the seas. That greater Ireland, from Adelaide to Brisbane, from San Francisco to New York, is heart and soul bound the men in Flanders. Our countrymen the world over stand aghast at our action. Their friendship is growing cold. This is no hour for truck or bargain.

Whatever bitterness must be felt over the record of opportunities lost and promises unkept, we are confident that the answer to our appeal must come from the heart and conscience of the nation that never yet sold herself to wrong, or asked a price for doing right. We believe that the response to duty's voice will always prove the trust and wisdom of far-sighted statesmanship. Never doubting the power of justice and right to move Irishmen's hearts, we appeal to all to join us in this work of patriotism. If all lovers of liberty, truth and honour, gauge themselves on our side, our Irish heroes, with new strength and hope, will quickly restore the name of Ireland to its honoured place among the nations of the world.

London, June 24.—Altogether ten tons of ammunition were seized in the Corn stalks, Dublin.

Moscow, June 24.—Georgia has decided to continue war against Turkey.

The Armenians have defeated the Turks and are driving them towards the frontier. Germans are guarding the trans Caucasian railway.

London, June 23.—Mr. Lloyd George, speaking at the Welsh Baptist Tabernacle in London, urged that we must prepare aright for peace. The world must be fit for everybody, for all classes, to live in. There must be no room for deformities like militarism, nationalism or anarchy. All must have a fair share. The future of the Empire has already been committed to democracy. The problems of reconstruction must be arranged in an

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London, June 24.—A manifesto by the Labour Ministers dwells on the unprecedented influence of labour in the council of the nation and says that their position is, however, rendered most difficult by incessant sniping on the part of anti-national factionalists.

It explains that they sometimes have to vote with opposition inclinations because that is a condition of a Coalition Government. Nevertheless there have been passed in three years measures of democratic reform greater than at any time in the history of the country.

The manifesto appeals to everybody in the Labour ranks to do nothing which will tend to destroy national unity in war time because upon the people of Britain largely depends the future freedom of the world.

London, June 24.—The manifesto of the Labour Ministers is significant because it is issued on the eve of the Labour Conference, at which the pacifist group is to submit a motion asking the Conference to break the political truce.

The adoption of the motion would make the position of the Labourite Ministers impossible because they must then either leave the Government or refuse to obey the mandates of their Party. Moreover, Mr. Hodge, Mr. Barnes and Mr. Roberts are threatened with unofficial labour opposition for their seats.

Hongkong, June 24.—The Colony is making a further gift of a quarter of a million sterling to the imperial Government towards war expenses.

Osaka, June 22.—In connection with this issue of low value notes, the Government notices that the silver in circulation, which was 2½ million piastres at the beginning of the war, is now seven millions, owing to various causes, including the hoarding propensities of small cultivators.

Similar conditions prevail generally in the East, notably in India and Japan. Thus the silver penalty has imposed the obligation to issue notes owing to the impossibility, despite flourishing finances, either to buy or stamp silver.

The seignorage (percentage on minted bullion) will henceforth be devoted to the withdrawal of notes. The population are urged not to hoard, as the Government hopes to secure considerable supplies of silver before the next cotton season.

London, June 24.—Silver is steady.

London, June 22.—Silver is steady and in good Government demand.

Paris, June 23.—A Geneva telegram states that in leading circles in Constantinople and Berlin the failure of

the Turkish Loan has caused great disappointment, as only 12 millions were obtained instead of the 32 expected. This distrust of Ottoman capitalists applies not only to Turkey but to Germany, who probably went too far in promising the help of her gold, despite the enormous sum already advanced to her Ally. The direct consequence of this failure will be a new issue of paper money, which will put Turkey in an awkward position and will not help her to consolidate her credit.

London, June 24.—The Colonial Office has issued a summary of the proceedings of the Imperial war conference between June 12-19th under the chairmanship of Mr. Walter Long. Those present included the secretary for India. Emphasis is laid on the resourcefulness of the British Navy in securing the safe and unhindered attendance of representatives, deliberating on the work of the Imperial War Graves commission, dwell on the need for all possible pressure on Turkey to safeguard the graves at Gallipoli. It decided to ask the commission to give a common form to a memorial for all ranks.

A resolution was carried favouring the cost of carrying out the commission's decisions being borne by the respective empire governments, proportionately to the numbers of their dead. The cost is estimated at an average of £10 sterling per officer or man buried, but the estimated cost of memorials to those whose graves are unidentified will be considerably less proportionately.

The conference initiated a discussion on the question of the establishment of a central authority in the United Kingdom to supervise the emigration of ex-service men and others after the war. Also various phases of the imperial economic policy after the war were deliberated.

Declares Germany will Seize Holland.

Rotterdam, April 28, (via London).—A row in Rotterdam between a German Major and a Dutch landlady has caused some excitement. The Major rented a high-class apartment, with two other officers, for a month, and having found cheaper quarters, decided to move out, which was against the laws of Holland. There ensued a terrible scene, when the officer shook his fist in the landlady's face shouting: "Damn you! We will teach you Dutch a lesson on August 1. That's the date, and you'd better keep it in mind."

When the landlady's husband asked for an explanation of this threat, having found her in hysterics, it was explained by the German officer that August 1 was the day that Germany had decided on to take control of Holland, and advised him to treat German officers continuously and learn their language. —(Straits Echo)

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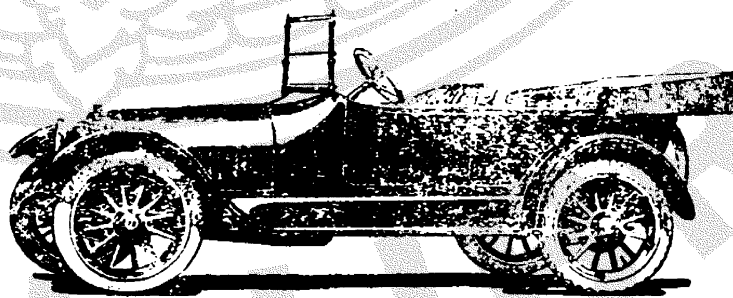
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Paddy Crop Report For the Mondol Channai.

For June 6-14, 2461.

Krung Deb.

Samudaparakar:—Sowing has been done on about 100 rai, the young paddy is in good condition.

The price of paddy is 96 bahts per kwien and that of rice is 2.75 bahts per tang.

Mondol Krung Kao.

Dhanyaburi:—The area planted up to date is about 9,100 rai, the young paddy is in good condition.

The price of paddy is 71 bahts per kwien and that of rice is 2.75 bahts per tang.

Pradum Dhani:—The area planted up to date is about 5,100 rai, the young paddy is not doing very well on account of insufficient moisture.

The price of paddy is 96 bahts per kwien and that of rice is 2.57 baht per tang.

Another:—The area planted up to date is about 12,000 rai, the paddy is, at a height of about 1 cub, not doing well owing to too much river water and about 22,000 rai were reported to have been damaged.

The price of paddy is 78 bahts per kwien and that of rice is 1.12 baht per tang.

Singhaburi:—The area planted up to date is about 51,800 rai, the young paddy is not doing well owing to excessive rainfall and about 550 rai have been damaged.

The price of paddy is 96 bahts per kwien and that of rice is 1.90 baht per tang.

Saraburi:—The area planted up to date is about 25,800 rai, the young paddy is in good condition.

The price of paddy is 96 bahts per kwien and that of rice is 2 bahts per tang.

Mondol Nagor Jayari.

Samudra Savor:—The area planted up to date is about 3,100 rai, the paddy is not doing well for want of rain.

The price of paddy is 83 bahts per kwien and that of rice is 2.37 bahts per tang.

Mondol Prachin.

Prachin:—The area planted up to date about 113,000 rai, the young paddy is in fair condition.

The price of paddy is 72 bahts per kwien and that of rice is 2.25 bahts per tang.

Nagor Nayok:—The area planted up to date is about 33,600 rai, the young paddy is in good condition.

The price of paddy is 88 bahts per kwien and that of rice is 2.25 bahts per tang.

Jolburi:—The area planted up to date is about 800 rai, the young paddy is in fair condition.

The price of paddy is 83 bahts per kwien and that of rice is 2.25 bahts per tang.

Krabindra:—The area planted up to date is about 1,300 rai, the young paddy is in fair condition.

The price of paddy is 61 bahts per kwien and that of rice is 2.30 bahts per tang.

Mondol Nagor Svarga.

Nagor Svarga:—The area planted up to date is about 15,300 rai, the young paddy suffers, in some places, from drought and in others from too much river water.

About 2,000 rai were reported to have been damaged by the latter cause.

The price of paddy is 65 bahts per kwien and that of rice is 1.25 bahts per tang.

Jayanad:—The area planted up to date is about 5,000 rai, the paddy is in good condition.

The price of paddy is 72 bahts per kwien and that of rice is 1.93 baht per tang.

Tak:—Sowing has begun on only a small scale, the young paddy is in good condition.

The price of paddy is 65 bahts per kwien and that of rice is 1.12 baht per tang.

R-marks:—Reports have not yet been received from Changvads Nondaburi, Miburi, Phra Pratheng, Ayudhya, Lobburi, Nagor Pathom, Subarn, Rajaburi, Bojaburi, Samudra Songram, Kanchanaburi, Prachuab, Chachoeng Sato, Udaya and Kambang Bojra.

Between the 1st and the 15th inst. the Krung Deb rice mills bought about 15,251 kwien of paddy which came in by river and about 2,540 kwien by rail, making a total of about 17,791 kwien (rice mill size). The prices at the mills of Kao Na-suan were from 106 to 159 bahts per kwien, Kao Samuang from 93 to 99 bahts, Kao Samuang from 88 to 98 bahts and Kao Bo from 94 to 130 bahts (rice millers' kwien).

Valorous France.

Paris, June 19.—An Athens wire states that General Frenchet d'Esperey, who has been appointed commander-in-chief of the Allied army in Macedonia in succession to General Guillaumat, now Military Governor of Paris, has arrived in Athens on his way to Salonika. M. Venizelos delivered a formal address of welcome in which he said: "Speech is powerless to express our boundless admiration for the French soldiers, who in the fourth year of the war show the same heroism and self-sacrifice, thus oppos-

ing a victorious resistance to the enemy's successive and formidable rushes. All these peoples are now fighting by France's side with equal bravery. After England, Italy and America have brought the Allied help with endless moral and material strength.

Greek Army Eager.

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It is reported from Athens that General Mathenopoulos has just made the following declaration on the occasion of the occupation by French troops of the summit of M. Mt Lenia, north of High Epirus: "This occupation is particularly important as it can serve as a starting point for subsequent operations likely to influence the whole Balkan front. Lenia is really a dominating point and its occupation combined with that of the crest of Oserovita has allowed the Italian troops in Epirus to progress northwards, their left flank being covered."

Rainfall.

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

KRUNG DEB.

At Min. of L. & A. June 28 4.2 mm.

At Min. of L. & A. " 29 0.4 "

MONDOL KRUNG KAO.

At Pradum Dhani June 28 38.0 "

" Pradum Dhani " 27 7.2 "

" Pradum Dhani " 28 20.0 "

" Dhanyaburi " 28 8.6 "

" Aynthya " 28 92.6 "

" Angthong " 28 4.8 "

" Singhaburi " 28 43.4 "

" Saraburi " 28 55.5 "

" Lobburi " 28 91.2 "

MONDOL NAGOR JAYSRI.

At Subarn June 27 1.0 "

" Nagor Pathom " 28 5.1 "

" Subarn " 28 6.4 "

MONDOL RAJABURI.

At Rajaburi June 27 9.4 "

" Rajaburi " 28 0.4 "

" Samudra Songram " 28 19.1 "

MONDOL PRACHIN.

At Chhachong Sao June 27 32.8 "

" Prachin " 27 53.3 "

" Nagor Nayok " 27 23.0 "

" Krabindra " 27 17.0 "

" Prachin " 28 29.0 "

" Nagor Nayok " 28 11.0 "

MONDOL NAGOR SVARGA.

At Udaya June 28 18.1 "

MENAM MOTOR BOAT CO., LTD.

TIME TABLE.

LINE 1—BANGKABUE TO BANG QUANG & MUANG NAWN.

Boats leave Bangkok to Bang Quang, Muang Nawn & Pakret.
a.m. 7.00, 8.00, 9.00, 10.00, 12.00.
p.m. 1, 1.30, 2.30, 3.15, 4.40, 6.00. daily.

Bangkok to Samkuk ... 2.30 p.m. daily.

" " Kai Koh Yai ... 1.00 ... "

LINE 2—TAKOK TOK TO PAKLAT in connection with Paklat Train Cars Thahin

Boats leave Tanon Tok every full and half hour from 6.30 a.m. to 7.30 p.m. After 7.30 when sufficient passengers.

LINE 3—KLONG SAMBONG LOOK TO BANG HIA.

Boats leave the Look in connection with the Paknam Railway train 10.45 a.m. from Bangkok.

Meklong Railway Co., Ltd.

TIME TABLE.

IN FORCE FROM 1st JANUARY, 1917 TO JULY, 1917.

BANGKOK-MEKLONG.						MEKLONG-BANGKOK.										
Distance from Bangkok.	STATIONS.					Train No.					Distance from Meklong.	STATIONS.				
						Train No.										
	I.	III.	V.			VI.	VI.									
Km.	Bangkok Dep.	A.M.	P.M.	P.M.		Km.	Meklong Dep.	A.M.	P.M.							
33.1	Mahachai	8.30	12.30	4.30		33.8	B. Hlame	8.35	12.35							
	Terminus Arr.	9.50	1.50	5.50			Terminus Arr.	9.55	1.55							

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BANGKOK-MEKLONG.					MEKLONG-BANGKOK.				
STATIONS.	Train No.			Distance from Bangkok.	STATIONS.	Train No.			Distance from Meklong.
	I.	III.	V.			II.	IV.	VI.	
Km. B. Hlame					Km. Mahachai				
Terminus Dep.	10.20	2.20			Terminus Dep.	6.45	10.45	2.45	
33.8 Meklong Arr.	11.40	3.40	33.1		Bangkok Arr.	8.05	12.05	4.05	

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