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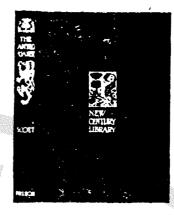
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Lord Derby and Recruiting.

Lord Derby, in a speech delivered at Manchester Town Hall to the members and officials of the Tribunals in the recruiting areas, Lancashire, Cumberland and Westmoreland, referred at length to the great numbers of men raised by voluntary system. His work at the War Office, he said, was nearly at an end, but before the end came, he would like to give has heartfelt thanks to all those who had given him such splendid assistance, and also acknowledge the stimulus given the movement by Lord Kitchener, whose example in storm and sunshine he hoped they would continue to emulate, until victory was won. He (Lord Derby) had done his best to make the voluntary system a success, and although it had not completely succeeded they had built up an organisation, without which the compulsory system would have been impossible.

After the War Problems.

Lord Derby also spoke of the innumerable difficulties that would arise after the war. It would take months before the country could settle down to a normal state of things, and when process of demobilisation began, such organisations as theirs would find new and important duties. He hoped the Government take into connect, not only Army officials, who would deal with demobilisation from a routine point of view, but also those who were interested in, and knew most about the commerce of the country, so that a scheme that would be acceptable to both military and civil population, and it would be ready to be put into execution the day peace came. He did not think there were any bodies in the country more capable of giving assistance in this direction than the tribunals.

War Widows.

Mr. Hayes Fisher, presiding at a meeting of the Royal Patriotic Fund Corporation, said that in the early days of the war Government did not expect to have more than 3,000 widows created by this war. The highest estimate was that made by Mr. Fisher himself, who thought that 30,000 would be nearer the correct number. When Lord Kitchener was consulted, be directed the authorities to make provision for at least 50,000 widows. The recent Naval victory in the North Sea had added 1,550 widows to the long list. Up to June, 14th this year, 39,042 wid-

German Plots in America.

lians Tauscher, who was accused of complicity in the plot to destroy the Welland Canal in Canada has been acquitted. Madame Gadski, the famous singer, who is his wife, sat beside him in Court. Tauscher, it is alleged, had planned with Horst von der Goltz, alias Bridgeman Taylor, who was recently brought from Britain for trial here, to conduct a military invasion of Canada. Tauscher was formerly a German officer and an agent of Krupps in the United States. The evidence given at the trial strongly implicated him.

Alien Enemies in Britain.

Mr. Joyson Hicks, in the House of Commons urged the internment of all the alien enemy subjects in Great Britain. He said that there should be a clean sweep. There were several German restaurants which were dangerous centres. Mr. Samuel replied that a committee had been appointed to review the cases where exemptions had been granted out the advice of the police after consultation with naval and military authorities.

Conscientious Objectors' Work.

Mr. Asquith announced in the House of Commons that a Home Office committee had been appointed to determine the work to which genuine conscientious objectors could be put. Those who used conscience as a cloak ought to be treated with the utmost rigour. but the genuine objectors who undertook to do national work should not

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With the British in France.

The London correspondent of the "Nieuws van den Dag," writing after wisht to the British front, says: "What struck me most in talking to both officers and men was the absolute lack of professional inclination. On the contrary, the vast majority did not in the least conceal the fact that they uncommonly disliked their daily work. And yet, despite this aversion, they are accomplishing it with an energy and devotion much greater than most of them ever spent on their work in civilian life. This paradox seems to me to find its origin in the deep-rooted conviction that their task is one of the most urgent necessity and must, therefore, be carried to a successful

"It is natural that peace should be discussed. It seemed to me that those at the front long even more for peace July 15 and 20 regarding the troop than the people at home, in Britain.
But no peace, before the aim described by Sir Edward Grey and Mr. Asquith has been achieved, will be considered by one of them, and they believe there is no question of that so long as mat-ters stand as they do at present.

Views on Peace. "Both officers and men freely discussed the attempts made by neutrals to promote peace and a Staff Captain about interpreted the general opinion when he said:—'I still feel as if most of the neutrals fail to realise what this war means to us. They talk of peace as if this war were a gramophone, which has now been playing out of tune long enough and should be stopped. Just as if the cause which brought about the war in 1914 does not exist at this very moment as sufficient reason to continue. It would be a sin to give up now the ideal of justice and liberty for which we began the

"To this I must add the fact that the British troops have an unshakable confidence in their ever-growing and ever-improving army organisation, although they judge far more objectively and soberly of their own weak points and the strength of the enemy than does the civilian population. They calculate from the date at hand the strength of the opponent, and none of those I saw but was firmly convinced that at a given moment the word will be given for an attack that will overthrow the German line. They are perfectly aware that this effort will demand great sacrifices. but this is in modern warfare wholly a question of a calculated equivalence in regard to what is achieved. Every attack is based on the following reasoning:—1 can lose a maximum of so many men The British Dispensary, Bangkok, sole

British officer and the British soldier began this war for reasons of sentiment: they are fighting it out with

The Pensions Bill.

London, July 21.- Mr. McKenna informed a deputation from Municipalities that a grant of six millions would be placed at the disposal of the statutory committee for pensions after the war in addition to the million already granted. Further amounts should result from voluntary subscriptions, and not from taxation, as urged by the deputation. The Government was spending eight millions yearly on separation allowances, and the pensions sum was growing weekly.

Deaths From Heat in India.

London, July 20 .- In the House of Commons, Mr. Chamberlain, in reply to Mr. W.W. Astor read telegrams from the Viceroy dated June 15 and 19, and train incident in Sind, stating that the train carried three medical officers, two second class carriages fitted as hospitals, with fans, a coffee-shop and a good supply of ice. There was no over-crowding. The matter was being investigated and a full report would be quickly furnished.

The Meaning of "Nerves."

Nerves are fibres running from the brain to all parts of the body, like the wires of a telephone exchange. Some of them give us the sense, touch and feeling; others convey messages to the brain and the will to our muscles and enable us to move. When we are "nervous" or have "an attack of nerves," it means that the brain and spine are in some way out of order. Either the nerves are too sensitive, so that we get neuralgic pains, neurasthenia, headache, sciatica, and so on, or else they do not do the will of the brain, and we get trembling hands or limbs and perhaps St. Vitus' Dance. The nerves and spine are fed and kept in health by the blood. If the blood is thin and poor, nervous weakness, diseases and pains follow. We need a nerve-tonic to feed up the blood so that it, in turn, may feed nerve, spine and brain.

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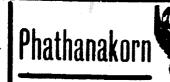
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Great War.

General Sakharoff's Captures.

(REUTER'S TELEGRAM.)

London, July 29.

Petrograd Communiqué, - General Sakharoff captured thirty-four thousand Austro-Germans, forty-five guns and seventy one machine guns during the fighting between July 16 and 25.

In German East Africa

(REUTER'S TELEGRAM.)

London, July 29. Korogwe.-The Belgians have occupied Mariasilf, a hundred miles southwest of Muanza on Lake Victoria Nyanza.

Further Russian Successes.

(REUTER'S TELEGRAM.)

London, July 30 Petrograd.-The enemy was vanquished on the whole line on the rivers Sloniovka and Bolduravaka. The Russians have occupied Brody.

Petrograd. - Yesterday's captures were four hundred officers, twenty thousand men and fifty-five guns. The enemy was driven back on the whole front from Kovel railway to Brody. General Letchitsky had an important victory south of the Dniester.

British Captures.

(REUTER'S TELEGRAM)

London, July 29. General Haig reports that after severe fighting we drove the fifth Branden. rg arvision from their remaining positions at Delville wood capturing 3 officers and 158 men. Two counterattacks, were beaten off with heavy loss to the enemy,

London, July 30. General Haig's communiqué says : We have captured the last of the enemy strongholds at Longueval.

A Question of Supplies.

(REUTER'S TELEGRAM.) London, July 30. Bokharest, — All Torco-Rumanian

conversation regarding the exchange of supplies have broken off.

French Reports, (HAVAS TELEGRAM.)

Paris, July 27. We progressed south of the Somme and arrested by our machine-gun fire enemy attacks north of the Aisne in

the region of Ville-au-Bois. Our barrage fire inflicted losses on the enemy who made an attack in Champagne west of Prosnes on a front of welve hundred metres.

There were artillery fights on the Verdun front at Hill 304 and in the Fleury—La Fautee region.

We made progress west of Thiau-

There were artillery tights on the British front and local engagemen's of a rather lively nature at various points. Petrograd.—We repulsed an offensive in the Kermmern region and made progress north-east of Baranovitchi.

attacks agaismt Mont Cimone. Paris, July 28, A Russian reconnaisance penetrated an enemy trench in the Auberive-

Rome.-We repulsed two violent

Champagne region. By violent artillery fire we stopped an attack west of Thianmont on the

right bank of the Meuse. President Poincaré and the Tzar have exchanged telegrams on the occasion

of the taking of Erzinjan. London, - We captured the north

part of the Pogieres-Bazentin line on a front of two hundred metres; also an important enemy trench. We captured after a violent fight the

whole of Delville wood, In East Africa we captured the

strong position of Nalangali. Petrograd. - We made progress in the Baranovitchi region. The total prison-

ers taken after the combate is 31,000.

A Protest.

(HAVAS TELEGRAM.) Paris, July 29.

The French Government has addressed a Note to the Neutral countries denouncing the arbitrary removal of men, women and children from the invaded regions in the north and claiming a enquiry by a neutral in order to demonstrate the inhuman treat. ment inflicted on the population of Lille and Roubaix which is a repetition of the violation of international conditions.

Minor Actions.

(HAVAS TELEGRAM.)

Paris, July 29. Yesterday we repulsed 2 attacks in the Vosges south of Sainte Marie Pass.

The British have completed the conquest of Longueval. To-day we broke down two attacks on the right of the Meuse and male progress in the region of Thiaumont

work. We brought down six aeroplanes.

The British have progressed to the north of Pozieres and in the neighbourhood of Delville wood.

Zeppelins flew over the east coast of England.

Petrograd. - In the direction of Lousk ve broke the opposing front and ronted

We captured 9,000 prisoners and have occup ed Brody.

Extracts From the Government Gazette.

(O) 30th July 2459.

The future Siamese appellation of what is commonly known as the Dusit Park Palace will be known as the Phra-Raja Wang Dusit the word Suan being omitted, so that in English it would be the Dusit Palace. The Saranrom Palace which was constructed in the 4th reign will be known as the Phra Raja Wang Saranrom.

II. M. the King has been pleased to decorate Mr. Genso Isiwara, Vice Minister of the Imperial Household of Japan, with the 2nd Class of the Order of the Crown of Siam.

The order of the 3rd Class of the White Elephant has been conferred on Phya Ratana Sedhi. (Khaw Yoo Ngee Na Ranong.)

The 54th list of surnames containing 39 rames has been issu**e**d.

Nai Tun Chun Seng, Nai Mong Bagy, Nai Tun Choo Seng (Charoen), Nai George Moriswongse, British subjects, Nai Yee Hah, a Dutch subject, Nai V. L. L. Virgeen, a Swedish subject, Nai J. A. De Barros, a Portuguese subject, have been naturalised as Siumese subjects.

The Minister for Ecclesiastical Affairs acknowledges the sum of Tes. 900 which Her Majesty the Queen Moher has given toward the repairs of the temple of Phrabadh.

H. E. Chao Phya Yomaraj has contributed the sum Tes. 55 towards the funds of the Chulalongkorn hospital. He has also given a similar sum to the Benjama Rachutit Girls' School.

LOCAL AND GENERAL.

TO-DAY is the last day for the paying of the poll tax. From to-morrow an extra tical will be charged.

THE "Mata Hari" which arrived to-day sails for Singapore on Wednesday, 2nd August. The English mail arrived in Singapore before the left but, owing to censoring, was not despatched by her. ----:(,:----A CORRESPONDENT writes: With

reference to your leading article I may say that the President of the Associated Chamber of Commerce in England, recently made the suggestion that certain unnecessary industries should be suppressed in the national interest, which was the release of men for miliary service.

NEARLY two thousand spectators turned up to witness the match between the Royal Pages Club and the Siam Electricity Co's ream which was played on the Suan Kolarb ground on Sunday afternoon The game was beenly contested and resulted in a win for the Royal Pages by two goals to nil. Mr R D. Craig acted as referee.

SAYS the "Straits Times" :- His Royal Highness Prince Rangeit and suite were entertained on Saturcay (22nd inst.) at a luncheon given by Mr. Tan Bio Liat, a grandson of the late Consul General for Siam, at the Chinese Recreation Club, and at a dinner given by Towkay Goh. Yow Seng, the well-known wolfram miner of Lacon and Singora, at his residence, 65 Scotts Road,

British Legation Telegrams.

(British Legation telegrams are not to be regarded as official communiques from His Britannic Majesty's Representative, unless they are marked "official,")

Weekly Summary,

(Unofficial.)

London, July 29. Saturday, the 22nd July was a quiet day on the British front but on Sunday at 2.25 p.m. the battle was resumed all along the line from Pozieres to Guillemont. Pozieres, representing some of the highest ground on Albert plateau and giving the enemy good gun positions on our flank, was attacked by the London Territorials and Australian troops from the southwest and southeast. The German outer work was speedily carried but in the village itself the enemy offered desperate rewistance. All along the line the engagement was fierce during all Sunday, the north end of Lon-gueval being lost and retaken more than once and the outskirts of Guillemont changing hands twice. The battle died down in the evening but shelling continued during the night.

On Monday, July 24th the Germans counterattacked between the wood of Foureaux and Guillemont with heavy losses. In Paris (?) the British made slight progress and at Pozieres the larger part of the village was taken together with 6 officers and 154 other

On Monday night the enemy having received large reinforcements attacked the right and centre of the British front but nowhere succeeded in reaching the British trenches but suffered severe losses. North of Pozieres we gained ground capturing 2 machines gons and many prisoners including 2 battalion commanders.

The next week was occupied in lighting on the line Pozieres to Delville wood principally in securing the 2 flanks. By Wednesday, July 26th, Pozieres was wholly in our hands and the line advanced northeast of the village. On Thursday Delville wood was cleared of the enemy and on Friday the remainder of Longueval village was tiken.

In this action we broke up the remains of the Brandenbur grenadiers taking 3 officers and 158 prisoners. These were severely handled by the French at Donaumont and were defeated with loss of many prisoners by the British at the battle of the Aisne.

War at Sea.

At midnight on Saturday July 22nd, there was a short running engagement off the Belgian coast near north Hinder light vessel between some (?) light British warships and German destroyers from Zeebruge. Three German destroyers appeared first and re-

tired before engaging.

Later, 6 German destroyers engaged and retired towards the Belgian coast suffering repeated hits during their flight. It was impossible for the British warships, which had practically no casualties, to follow them into extensive mine fields.

News From Burma.

A draft of 22 men, all Eurasians for the Anglo-Indian regiment, were given a great send off on the 18th instant. Fifty six men have enlisted from Burma up to date. One of them was killed in Mesopotamia and another at the

The Sasana Dara Society has resolved that notices be circulated appealing to Buddhists to abstain from animal food during Lent or at least on two days-the full moon day of Waso and the full moon day of Thadingyut.

A patriotic meeting of the cinzens of Rangoon will be held on August 4, at the Jubilee Hall to mark the second anniversary of the War.

Football is all the rage in Burma just now and the matches between Senior and Junior Leagues are a great attraction. A match between Rangoon College composed of Burma boys and the Syriam Gymkhana composed of Europeans ended on the 13th instant by a victory for the former by 4 goals to 1.

The mortality from plague in Burma during the week ending 1st July shows that there were 130 cases and 119 deaths. Rangoon alone had 39 cases and 34 deaths.

Wolfram mining has been given a new impetus by the appointment of Mr. J. Thomas as Mining Engineer to the Tavoy district. Four Burmans, one Chinese and one Indian have been granted new prospecting certificates.

PADDY REPORT FOR JULY 30.

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Personal.

Mr. Justice Thornely, we are glad to know, is now well again and has resumed work in the Appeal Court.

Mr. R. B. H. Gibbins has movel to the house of Mr. Austin Shea near the British Club.

Mrs. P. Nesbitt is expected back from her trip to Australia about the middle

It is uncertain whether Mr. Gollo has left for Java or whether his child is still at the Singapore Hospital.

Arrivals.

The following passengers arrived in Bangkok during the last two days :--By the "Huinchow" from Hongkong rs. Yong, Mr. W. Haines (B. B. Mrs. Yong, Mr. W. Haines (B. D. T. C.) and Mr. S. Ogawer (traveller). By the "Chumpon" from Copenhagen: Mr. O. C. Christiansen (E. A. Co, Saw mill) and Mrs. Christiansen. By the "Mata Hari" Mr. H. F. Pegg (L. T. L. Ld.) and by the "Helios" Mr.

The Situation in Chiengmai.

(FROM OUR OWN CORRESPONDENT.) Chiengmai, July 24th, 1916. Chiengmai has been moved to its

foundations. It would seem that the military authorities apparently decided to emulate the Daylight Saving Bill recently passed in England, and so advanced the clock I of an hour. I ought to tell you that we all take our time from them as their gong is the londest,

The results have been disastrous They say that a notorious criminal charged with a frightful crime was almost released as the court having satat the appointed time and waited half an hour for the public prosecutor who did not turn up as he had forgotten to alter his watch -very nearly dishipsed the case.

A well-known Consul playing tennis the club under the impression that the time was 5 p.m., whereas in fact it was only 4.15 p.m., played without a hat and was prostrated by sunstroke. but we are glad to say has recovered, There were various other dreadful happenings and we understand that a petition signed by all the inhabitants of Chiengmai including children the wails of these sleepless little people have been terrible -will be presented to the Military Commander orging him to abandon the reform and revert to natural time.

Rugby Football.

Merchants v. The Rest

This match was played off on Saturday at the Sports Club under almost ideal Rugger conditions. The ground was in splendid order, but the ball got just a little bit greasy and difficult to handle. Merchan's had out a full side but the Rest were two men short. Play was very even, the opposing forward lines being fairly well matched. The scrums were by no means well formed, and to an onlooker, it seemed as if some of the men might have had a little more coaching on the formation of the scrum. In the loose, however, the forwards were good, especially the Rest: their dribbling gained a lot of ground several times. After a lot of open play the ball was punted down towards the Rest end. Malcolm followed up and scored a try through the defending back not understanding that it was up to him to touch down the ball. The resulting shot at goal was unsuccessful. The drop out from the 25 line was miskicked, with the result that Voirol, rushed the ball over and secured a second try, which also was not converted. The Rest ther managed to get the ball down from their end a bit and pressed the Merchants, but it was some time before Sutton managed to get over and score agood try between the posts. Once again, full points were missed, owing probably to the greasy state of the ball. Half time came shortly after with no more scoring. Cranmer un-fortunately got his shoulder hurt and had to leave the field. This made the sides more even. The second half resolved itself into a series of seruma, forward rushes, and lining out. There was very little three-quarter play, several passes being missed, the ball being very difficult to hold. Each side nearly scored more than once, but the forwards on both sides did not follow up the ball as they ought to have done and so the chance was lost. It was a hard and tiring game and no one seemed sorry when no side was called. The score was Merchants 2 tries, the

An Affair of Light Craft.

London, July 24.-The Admiralty announces that some of our light forces at midnight on July 22 sighted three of the enemy's destroyers near the Noordhinder lightship. The enemy was repeatedly hit but succeeded in reaching the Belgian coast. Our casualties were one officer and one man slightly wounded. Subsequently we had a running fight with six enemy destroyers off Schoaevenbank. We had no damage and no casualty.

Ireland's Problem.

Bill Not to Proceed.

London July 24.--In the House of Commons Mr. Asquith announced the Government did not propose to introduce the Irish Bill as to which there did not appear to be a prospect of substantial agreement by all parties.

After Mr. Asquith's announcement Mr. Redmond obtained leave to move the adjournment in order to call attention to the rapidly growing unrest in Ireland and the fact that the Government do not propose to carry out intheir entirety the terms submitted for

the temporary settlement. Mr. Asquith's annoucement was in reply to Mr. Redmond, who asked if the Government intended to depart from the terms of the agreement based on Mr. Lloyd George's proposals, or insert proposals at variance with the agreement without consulting the Na-

Mr. Asquith pointed out that the agreement was subject to the approval and revision of the Cabinet.

In this connection two questions emerged, firstly the form in which Ulster's exclusion should be provided for. All parties were agreed that the inclusion should not be automatic. The Government could not do more than make that sure. Secondly, after a full examination the Government felt they could not themselves agree, and could not expect the House to agree that the full number of Irish mem-bers should be retained in the House of Commons, after an election, except where the consideration of the Home Rule or an amending Bill was con-

Mr. Asquirb then stated that Govern ment did not intend to introduce any Home Rule Bill miles there was a substantial agreement among all par

He acknowledged the legal and par riotic attitude of the Nationalists during the war. The Nationalists had an opportunity to bring Home Rule into immediate operation, were they going to throw it away. The Government believed an opportunity had come which might not near and as an old home ruler, he asked the Nationalists to reconsider the decision.

In moving the adjournment Mr. Redmond reviewed the reconsticus beading to the a recinent between Sir E. Causen and him self and its approval by their respective supporters. Re-turning to Landon he was faced by an entirely new proposal propounded by a Lerd Lausdowne and received on July 20 an extage library notification that the Cabinet short postponed considera-tion of the draft bill and was considering a muntar of new proposals " asked for particulars and was informed the Cabinet did not desire to consult me or communicate with me till a set-

tlement was reached. On Saturday Mr. Lleyd George informed me the Cabinet decided to insert in the bill a provision for the permanent exclusion of the Ulster counties and to emit the agreement for the retention of Irish members at Westminster during the transitory period. The decision was final and was not open to discussion. I and my colleagues adhere to every word of the agreement but we cannot agree to new proposals which would mean a disgraceful breach of faith on my part towards my supporters in Ireland. I warn the Government we shall oppose such a bill at every stage."

Mr. Redmond concluded . While the attitude of himself and his friends towards the war was unaltered and unalterable, the Nationalists would consider themselves free to criticise the vacillation of the Government, both in domestic affairs and in the conduct of

Mr. Lloyd George said he deeply regretted it; he thought it was a disaster but the Irish members knew their country and Euglish Home rulers recognised their difficulties were due to causes the former had done their best to avert

Hearqued that the difference with reference to Ulster was a matter of phrase-ology. He admitted there had been a departure from the agreement with reference to representation at Westminster. This was due to the opposition of Unionists who argued that if after a dissolution the Irish men at Westminster were not diminished it might make a difference between the Liberal and Unionist Government on any general question of the Government of the Empire.

No agreement was possible without modifications therefore it was idle to introduce the Bill.

Sir Edward Carson, following Mr. bloyd George, siad they entered on the negotiations thinking only of the war and anxious to prevent distraction therefrom. He understood that the eix counties were to be struck out lefinitely from the Home Rule Act. No exclusion could be called permanent. Ulster could be won over by good Government: exclude her and then win her. If the hopes of a settlement behattered it will be a calamity.

Mr. Dillon following Sir E. Carson declared the settlement had finally broken down.

Mr. Asquith strongly appealed to the Nationalists to reconsider their desired The motion was talked on

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The Italian Advance.

Rome, July 2.--The telegrams from Swi zerford declare that the Austrian armies are becoming demoralised and that Rovereto has been evacuated. The "Corriere della Sera" reveals the fact that General Cadorna formed an entirely new army behind the Italian line in the Trentino sector in order to break down the Austrian offensive. General Cadorna anticipated an Austrian attack but could not believe the enemy would commit the colossal blunder of greatly weakening their Russian front. When the General offensive commenced General Cadorna judged its extent and chose a line to which he could fall back with minimum losses. He addressed his troops, saying: "Remember, here you must defend the Father-land's soil and the honour of the army. These positions must be defended to the death." General Cadorna then conceived the idea of forming a new army. Six hours later troops from all parts of the front began to march to a given point. The railways work-d spl-ndidly, surpassing their estimated potentialities by 24 per cent, and half a million men, 100,000 horses and 15,000 carts were transported at lightning speed towards the Vicenza plain. The army was ready for battle within 12 days. In the meantime the defensive organisations were completed. When the Austrians were definitely checked General Cadorna on the 2nd June gave the new army orders for a counter-offensive. Roads, bridges and lightrail-ways had to be specially built and an artificial lake was constructed as a watering base for troops

Italian and Austrian Strategy.
London. July 12.—The "Times'
military correspondent, after inspect

ing the Italian front, pays a tribute to the strategy of the recent Austrian offensive. He realises that the enemy made a blunder in believing Russia would remain quiescent, also that the moment was badly chosen. Their army did not exceed fifteen divisions. It is unlikely that the Austrians intended to invade Italy with this force, since General Cadorna was known to have fifty divisions. The correspondent believes that the enemy anticipated that Italy's part, in the Allies' co-ordinated offensive would be a strong attack on the Isonzo front. By the Trentino attack they tried to ward off the Italian stroke. The movement of the Austrian air scouts, who were uncommonly active, reported that General Cadorna had moved his reserves, completed his concentration and opened his counteroffensive, the enemy began to retire. In the write's opinion, it is quite tino, but more advisable for her to strengthen her blackade and then to

throw her full weight against the lenze, eventually redeeming the Trentino not at Trent but at Vienna.

Colossal Austrian Losses

The "Morning Post's" Budapest correspondent writes that the Austro-Hongarian looses were much dissensed in the Parliamentary lobbies during the sitting at the end of June. Members who had returned from the Italian and Russian fronts put the total looses since the beginning of the incursion into Italy at over 600,000. The incursion is estimated to have cost 100,100 in killed and wou ded. Officer members of the Hungarian Parliament estimate the same number killed and twice as many wounded on the Russian front. A member attached to General Bothmer's army stated that 100,000 were disabled through illness and lack of food.

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The "Daily Chronicle's" Paris correspondent telegraphed that the French are following the British tactics. By adopting worrying assaults on the front from Rheims to Soissons the enemy are losing men, guns and heart but although there is terrible proof that we now possess artillery equal to that of the Germans, it would not be wise to entertain unduly high hopes. There must be bloody fighting before the end.

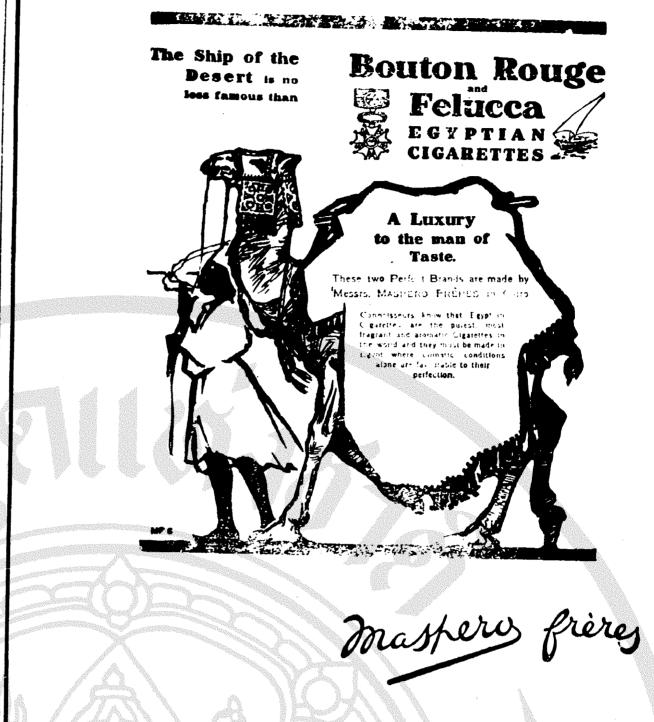
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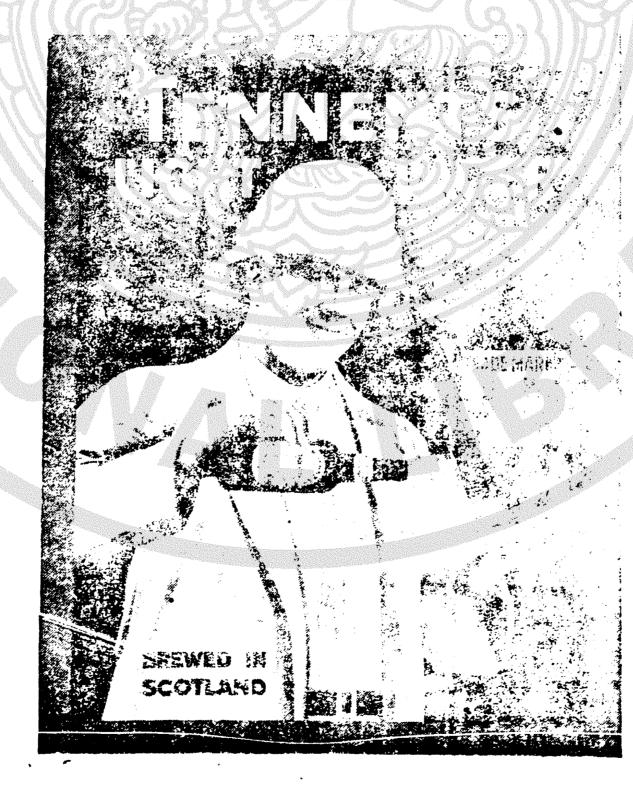
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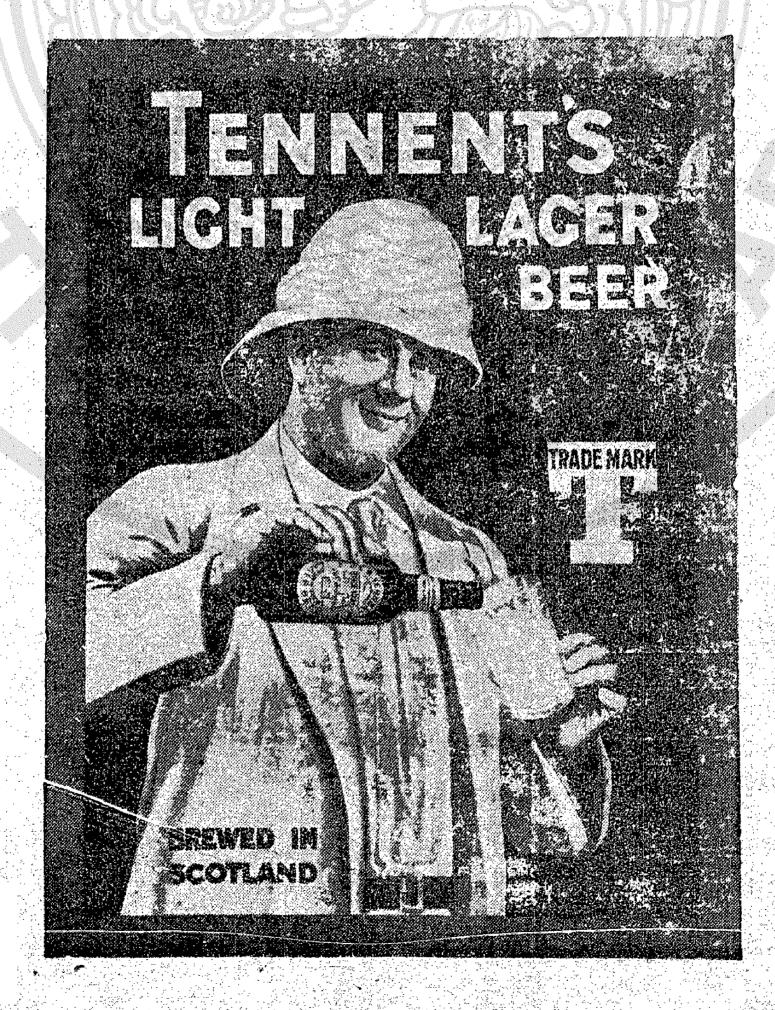
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