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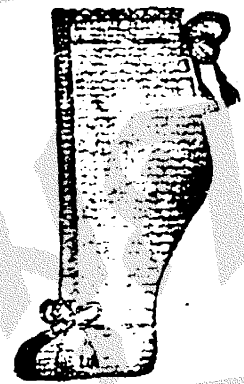
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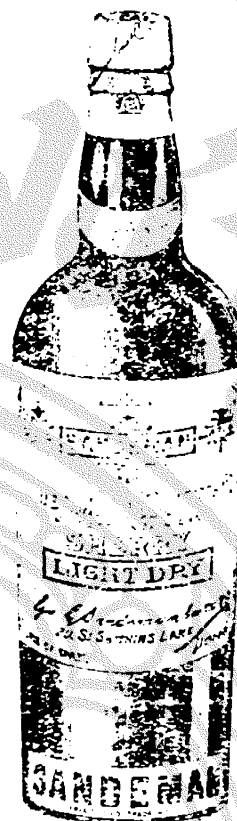
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BANGKOK BAR.  
FOR OCTOBER 1917.

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

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

## PHASES OF THE MOON.

Oct. 1st	Full Moon	3.13 a.m.
" 8th	Last Quarter	4.56 a.m.
" 16th	New Moon	9.23 a.m.
" 23rd	First Quarter	9.19 p.m.
" 30th	Full Moon	11 p.m.



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## The German News.

London, Oct. 18.—Wireless German Official. As reprisals for the attack on Frankfurt were-bombed Nancy. Captures hitherto on Oesel are ten thousand prisoners, only few hundred escaping to Moon, and fifty guns. Portions of our naval forces advanced through minefields as far as southern exit of great Moon sound, whither after a short engagement twenty Russian warships retired. We silenced batteries on Moon island, Estonian coast, our naval units in the eastern portion of Kassarwick barring passage westwards.

London, Oct. 18.—Wireless German Official. We have captured Moon island.

Amsterdam, Oct. 18.—The Belgisch Dagblad reports that German sailors at Ostend last week mutinied and refused to go on board submarines. One officer was thrown into the sea. About thirty mutineers were arrested, handcuffed and sent to Bruges.

Amsterdam, Oct. 18.—The sudden return of Von Buelow to Berlin caused rumours that he is succeeding Dr. Michaelis.

Amsterdam, Oct. 18.—The conference of German Social Democrats at Wuerzburg rejected by 284 to 26 an Independent Socialist motion in favour of the Social-Democrats voting against war credits.

Amsterdam, Oct. 19.—The Koelnische Zeitung complains that there are large numbers of people obtaining from the seventh war loan as a mark of resentment of their assessments of war profits tax.

THE campaign in New York against drug-taking, which has been intensified recently, continues to yield result. On May 22 the Federal agents raided another "sanatorium." A physician, nurse, and a number of drug victims were arrested. Narcotics to the value of \$6,000 were seized.

THE price of petrol at Home has advanced 8 1/2d. per gallon owing to an increase in the rate for the insurance of tank steamers. Petrol will now be retailed at 4s. 4 1/2d. per gallon, and it is expected that this will necessitate the owners of taxis increasing their fares to 10d. per mile. Many motor vans have been taken off and replaced by the slower but cheaper horse vehicles.

THE order for the arrest of Dr. Sun and others arrived at Canton on Oct. 4. Besides that of Dr. Sun there are more than fifty names on the list. It is reported that the Government has arranged with the foreign Ministers to communicate with the authorities of all settlements in China and in all commercial ports concerning Dr. Sun's arrest, and a reward of \$2,000,000 is mentioned.

## Shipping Casualties.

London, Oct. 18.—During the week ending Oct. 14 the French arrivals were 855; sailings 749 and sinkings one over, and one under 1,600 tons. Five were unsuccessfully attacked.

Washington, Oct. 18.—Admiral Sims reports that a submarine in the war zone on Tuesday torpedoed an American destroyer. One man was killed and five wounded. The damage vessel reached port.

Bergen, Oct. 18.—A large Rumanian steamer bound for Archangel with munitions and railway wagons grounded near Bergen. Salvage will be difficult.

Las Palmas, Oct. 18.—A Spanish ship brought 45 survivors of the Italian vessel Caprera which, with very important cargo and explosives took fire and sank off the coast of Morocco.

London, Oct. 17.—The Admiralty reports the arrivals during the week as 2,124 sailings 2,094. Twelve vessels over and six vessels under 1,500 tons were sunk. Five were unsuccessfully attacked. One fisher was sunk.

Rome, Oct. 27.—During the week ending Oct. 14, 315 ships arrived and 238 departed. Four steamers under 1,500 tons were lost; one mail-boat and one sailing ship were unsuccessfully attacked.

## Royalty And "Our Day."

London, Oct. 17.—The king has given a donation of £10,000 to Our Day fund, the Queen £1,000, the Prince of Wales £5,000. Last year's contributions were: The King £5,000, the Prince of Wales £1,000.

The American Red Cross has given £200,000.

London, Oct. 19.—Irrespective of the street collections, "Our Day" totals have at present reached upwards of £670,000 sterling. Large contributions included the people of Victoria £155,000; Sir Ernest Cassel £25,000; Queensland division £12,500; People of South Australia £5,105; People of Nigeria £8,424; People of Nyasaland £1,900; People of Bolivia £3,630; Messrs. Rothschild and Sons, Lady Strathcona, Lady Wernher £2,000 each.

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**Premier's Honour.****Disproves Implication of Cowardice.**

London Oct. 16.—In the High Court libel actions by Mr. Lloyd George against the Exchange Telegraph Company, the Westminster Gazette, and the Star have been settled, the defendants apologising and paying costs. The case arose out of the publication of a paragraph issued by the Exchange Company stating that on the occasion of the air raid of Sept. 24 the Prime Minister left Downing street for his country residence when it became known that the raiders were approaching London. Counsel for the plaintiff contended that the paragraph implied that the Premier was guilty of personal cowardice. The Premier had been informed that the effect of the paragraph, especially in the East end, where many munition workers suffered greatly in the raids, had been most damaging.

Mr. Lloyd George, in evidence, said he left London on the evening of Sept. 24 for Boulogne, accompanied by Sir W. Robertson and Admiral Jellicoe, in order to confer with M. Painleve and the French war chiefs. The Premier stated that he would not have taken action if the paragraph could have been regarded as a mere personal attack. All the defendants declared that no imputation of cowardice was intended.

**Looking for Oil.**

London, Oct. 16.—The House of Commons has adopted the second reading of a Bill assuring Government control of all supplies of petroleum discovered in the United Kingdom.

Sir G. Pretymann, representing the Board of Trade, said that certain eminent geologists both here and from the United States were of opinion that local conditions in some parts of the country justified boring experiments.

**Policy in Ireland.**

London, Oct. 16.—In the House of Commons, Mr. Redmond gave notice of motion: "That this House deplores the policy which has been pursued and is being pursued by the Irish executive Government and the Irish military authorities at a time when the highest interests of Ireland and the Empire demand the creation of an atmosphere favourable to a successful result of the deliberations of the Irish Convention."

**Labour and Colonies.**

London, Oct. 16.—In the House of Commons, replying to a question, Lord Robert Cecil stated that the Government is not responsible for the proposals regarding the Colonies contained in the Labour Party memorandum as cabled on Aug. 10. The proposals do not represent the views of the Government.

**An Air Ministry.**

London, Oct. 16.—In the House of Commons, Mr. Bonar Law announced that the scheme for constituting an Air Ministry will shortly be introduced. Meanwhile, General Smuts will continue to supervise the air service.

**Kaiser in Turkey.**

Amsterdam, Oct. 16.—The Kaiser has arrived in Constantinople. He was welcomed at the station by the Sultan, princes, the ex-Khedive and other notables.

Amsterdam, Oct. 16.—An article from a well informed source in the Westerbied indicates that one of the objects of the Kaiser's visit to Sofia was to induce Bulgaria to attack General Sarrail's forces, with Salonika as the promised reward if successful.

The article states that Greece is expected shortly to declare war against Bulgaria, whereupon the latter will bring 800,000 men against General Sarrail, and leave 200,000 in the Dobrudja.

WOMEN of fashion are much interested and not a little alarmed by the statement to a Paris Newspaper that, as a result of the Government restriction of the use of woollen material, skirts are to be both shorter and narrower. The quality allowed for costumes is 4 yards and 32 inches of material (or 4½ metres) 1½ yards wide. The cutter of a well known house informs that this is ample for French women of medium build. Costumes will not be shorter but a little longer as short skirts must be full. "Six years ago," he said, "we made costumes from four yards of material, because it was the fashion. The economy in material will be made by cutting the skirt very narrow over the hips and using the material thus saved for the small side pieces in the jacket, under-sleeves, and facings, Cheviot serge galberdies, and similar materials will be used, as the cloth can be cut only one way. Mole Grey is to be the most fashionable material."

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Stations.	Train No.				Stations.	Train No.			
	1	2	3	4		1	2	3	4
	a.m.	a.m.	p.m.	p.m.		a.m.	a.m.	p.m.	p.m.
Paknam Dep.	6.30	9.30	12.45	3.45	Bangkok Dep.	7.45	10.45	2.00	5.00
*Maha Wong "	6.35	9.35	12.50	3.50	Sala Deng "	7.52	10.52	2.07	5.07
*Ban Nang Greng "	6.40	9.40	12.55	3.55	Klong Toi "	8.00	11.00	2.15	5.15
Chorakhe "	6.45	9.45	1.00	4.00	*Ban Kluei "	8.05	11.05	2.20	5.20
*Samrong "	6.50	9.50	1.05	4.05	Prakonong "	8.10	11.10	2.25	5.25
Bangna "	6.55	9.55	1.10	4.10	Bangjak "	8.15	11.15	2.30	5.30
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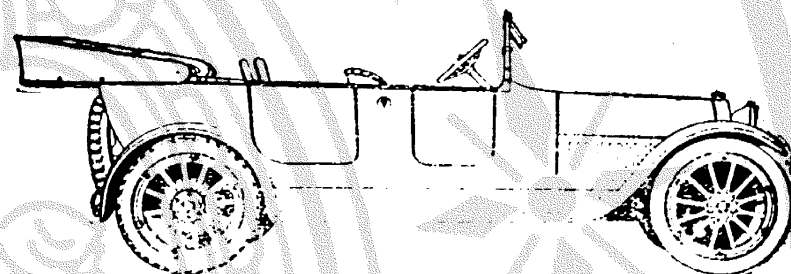
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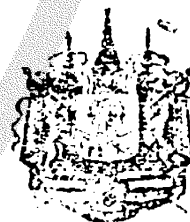
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### The Siam Observer

THURSDAY, OCTOBER 25, 1917.

#### GERMAN CASUALTIES.

An article in a recent issue of the *Revue des Deux Mondes* contains some very interesting information on the present state of the German army. There is every reason to believe that the article comes from an authoritative source and thus deserves special attention. It makes it plain that the losses of the Germans are increasing at an extraordinary rate. By the beginning of April of this year our enemies had been able to concentrate behind the Western Front a very powerful reserve of over fifty divisions. In that month occurred the Anglo-French offensive and this took place much earlier than Hindenburg had anticipated. The Press at the time pointed out that the German losses as a result of this offensive were exceptionally high but it now transpires that before the end of April the whole of the fifty divisions of reserve had been brought into action and suffered casualties so enormous as to be most disquieting to the German command. Each Allied attack is more costly to the enemy than the one preceding it and for this reason the rest afforded to each German division after withdrawal from the firing line is steadily becoming shorter. Moreover, owing to the increased pressure of the attack the Germans are able to put in less time in the trenches. At the beginning of April, divisions were being withdrawn from the trenches after six days therein which is a much shorter period than what they endured at the battle of the Somme. By the beginning of June we find German divisions being withdrawn after only forty-eight hours in the trenches. So persistent is the Allied attack that the enemy commanders have scarcely time to reform the broken units before sending them off to another section of the front. Thus a division of the Prussian Guard which was badly cut up on the Plateau de Californie on May 10th was again in the thick of the fight at La Hazare on May 15th and the 28th Reserve Division being released from the trenches near Craonne on May 18th was again in the trenches opposite Verdun on May 25th. It may be urged, however, that the Germans are simply withdrawing their units from the battle before they have been completely used up. The writer of the article above mentioned, however, makes it plain that the Germans have only resorted to this method as a result of their fearful losses. He states that the proportion of men placed *hors de combat* to every single prisoner taken is about four or five. The Allies captured 63,000 Germans from April 9th to July 1st and according to the above proportion the loss would thus be from 250,000 to 300,000 men. There are reasons for believing, however, that the actual German losses as early as the end of May were 350,000 men. Thus a conservative estimate of the German losses in the first three months of the 1917 campaign would not be less than 450,000 to half a million men.

#### Obituary.

We regret to announce the death of Luang Indha Aya (Serm) judge of the Me Hong Sorn Court which occurred at his residence there on the 19th instant, death being due to peritonitis. The deceased who was educated at Samray and spoke English well, was formerly in the Attorney-General's Department in Bangkok, where he was much liked and discharged his duties very satisfactorily. About seven years ago he was appointed judge at Chiengrai and later at Me Hong Sorn. Last year he came down to Bangkok for the Royal Birthday festivities and was in the best of health, and his death at the early age of 37 will come as a shock to his friends and colleagues. At Me Hong Sorn he organised a Club where tennis, badminton and other sports were provided. He leaves a widow and three children to mourn his loss.

### Travelling in Flood time.

Phya Visutra Sagoradith arrived from Hua Hin to day. The journey was a rather tedious one. He left Hua Hin yesterday morning with three others by train and duly arrived at Nong Sala. From there a trolley was requisitioned and the party left Nong Sala for Bejraburi. The line was in order except in two places where it was washed out for a distance of about ten feet in each place. From Bejraburi the journey was continued in a small motor launch through narrow Klongs up to Mekong from where the party embarked at Tachien and arrived in Bangkok at noon.

#### LOCAL AND GENERAL

A TELEGRAM has been received stating that the griffin left Singapore yesterday.

A CROCODILE, measuring about 8 feet in length, was run over by a train at the 126 mile post between Batu Gajah and Kota Bharu recently.

THE S.S. *Kuala* will leave from the Borneo Company's Wharf at noon sharp, on Friday the 26th inst. and should arrive in Singapore on Monday afternoon.

THE marriage of Nai Aroon Bunyanon, son of Phra Satyathara Vinitchai to Sai, daughter of Nai Sangval will take place on October 28, at 5 p.m. at Tanon Ban Khek.

THE Post and Telegraph Department reports that Saigon line is in good order as far as Battambang. Tral line is interrupted between Bangkok and Chhaxoengsao. Other lines are all right.

ACCORDING to the evidence given to the Committee of Public Accounts, there were 502 M. P.'s receiving their salary at the end of the year, apart from 40 Ministers; 125 M. P.'s decline to receive the £400 a year.

OWING to the present floods preventing the Royal State Railways from carrying passengers from Hua Hin to Bangkok, the Coast steamers of the Siam Steam Navigation Co., Ltd., will until further notice call at Koh Lak both upwards and downwards, viz: Tuesdays and Sundays respectively.

IT is reported that, at the wish of the Japanese Government, the Nippon Yusen Kaisha will withdraw from its European service the *Fushimi*, *Katori*, *Kashima*, and *Suwa Maru*, the largest vessels of its fleet, and place them on the Puget Sound Line to relieve the shipping congestion at the ports on the Pacific Coast.

LATEST ADVTS.—The Borneo Co., Ltd. have a new notice to consignees. The International Store have in stock the best Liqueurs obtainable. E. M. Pereira and Co. will hold an auction sale to-morrow at the premises lately occupied by the Commercial Hotel. On Saturday the 27th T. S. Apsar will sell the furniture etc. of Mr. Bermann at Sathorn Road also a motor boat.

THE Australian authorities have decided on a distinctive mark for the men who served in Gallipoli. It takes the form of a large metal letter "A," worn on the arm over the regimental badge and underneath the metal "Australia" badge on the shoulder. All the men who served on Gallipoli are entitled to wear this badge, and it is much prized.

VERY honest, no doubt, was the simple-minded Methodist Minister who, when the sinking of wells in the oil districts was becoming common in the United States, petitioned the President to stop the sinking of any more wells. He averred it was flying in the face of Providence, who was storing up the oil there in view of the future burning of the world. (D. C.)

How greatly the construction of merchant ships has been accelerated is indicated by two supplements just issued by Lloyd's Register of Shipping. These show that in less than six weeks—from June 8 to July 17—over 100 new vessels were added to the Register. Of these 63 are British. Most of the new ships are of large tonnage. Further supplements, it is expected, will show a still faster rate in building.

A RATHER piquant incident is associated with Kennington Oval, which the Government have commandeered. For old cricketers may remember it was within an ace of being lost to the public for good and all sixty-six years ago. A Bill had been prepared for permission to build on the site, and doubtless it would have obtained Parliamentary sanction but for the intervention of the Prince Consort.

CREDITORS met on Aug. 22 at the London Bankruptcy Court under the failure of Lord Rotherham of Broughton, described as of Queen's Gate, W. The debtor, a Manchester cotton spinner, was formerly Sir William Holland, M. P. for Rotherham. Mr. Percy Becher, for Lord Rotherham, obtained an adjournment of the meeting for three weeks to enable him to lodge a proposal for the payment of a cash composition of 7s. 6d. in the £.



## THE Great War.

### Naval Works Bombarded.

(REUTER'S TELEGRAM.)

London, Oct. 24. The Admiralty reports:—Our ships bombarded naval works at Ostend on Sunday. Photographs show that the results were satisfactory.

### The British Front.

(REUTER'S TELEGRAM.)

London, Oct. 24. Field-Marshal Haig reports:—The enemy at night attacked one of our new posts in the southern portion of Houthulst Wood and forced us back a short distance. We maintained and consolidated our gains on the remainder of the front. There was rain at night and the weather is stormy and unsettled.

### Mrs. Besant's Release.

London, Oct. 16.—In the House of Commons, Mr. Montagu made a statement regarding the release of Mrs. Besant and her associates, declaring that the course followed in no wise constituted a criticism of the action of the local Government, which was, in fact, approved by the Indian Government and never questioned by himself. Mr. Bonar Law, replying to Mr. Johnson Hicks, said that he did not think that the matter was one on which a long discussion would be at present advantageous and could not undertake to facilitate it.

Mr. Montagu, replying to Commander Wedgwood, said that certain Mohammedans were interned at present but for a reason different from that in the Besant case. They were interned because they openly sympathized with His Majesty's enemies.

Mr. Johnson Hicks gave notice that he would raise the subject on the adjournment to-night.

Mr. Montagu's statement was in reply to the request of Sir J. D. Ross for information.

#### Precautionary, not Punitive.

Mr. Montagu said: I cannot say much, but it is important to say that the action taken by the Government of Madras in June in placing restrictions on the liberty of Mrs. Besant, Arundale and Wadia was essentially precautionary rather than punitive. The Madras Government has repeatedly stated that it had no wish to check constitutional agitation as such, but considered that the methods employed by the agitators left no option but to remove Mrs. Besant and her associates from Madras by recourse to the Defence of India Regulations, but restrictions of this kind lead to a consideration of the date of their removal, for there was obviously no date set, and obviously also they were not intended to last for ever. It would be reasonable to expect that the restrictions would be removed, when the Indian Government was satisfied that the removal would not lead to a recurrence of the practices which it was designed to prevent.

#### The Change of Circumstances.

Accordingly, when I made the announcement on August 20 regarding the policy of His Majesty's Government with regard to India, I asked the Viceroy whether the Indian Government would consider, in view of an alteration in circumstances, the question of removing restrictions imposed upon persons who, solely on account of their violent or improper methods and political agitation, have been dealt with under the Defence of India Act. Subsequently I asked that in view of the meeting of Parliament and the possible necessity of laying the papers, if it was decided to maintain restrictions upon her, a decision with reference to Mrs. Besant should be taken as soon as possible. The action taken by the Indian Government was taken on their own responsibility, but we were all anxious to secure a tranquil atmosphere in the future and this does not mean that I am not in complete accord with their action.

#### Mrs. Besant's Indiscretions.

On the motion for the adjournment, Mr. Johnson Hicks said that the point was whether the release of Mrs. Besant was likely to conduce to peace and quietness in India. In the past two or three years Mrs. Besant had made speeches and issued writings which in the opinion of the Viceroy were "exceedingly detrimental to peace and well-being in India." Every other section of the Indian community had agreed to abstain from political agitation, but Mrs. Besant persisted, and Lord Pentland came to the conclusion that her activities must be stopped, and he believed with the assent of the Viceroy, he sent for her.

### The Zeppelin Raid.

(S. O. SPECIAL CORRESPONDENT) Singapore, Oct. 24.

The Zeppelin raid has evoked articles in newspapers demanding the government to announce the constitution of an Air Ministry without further delay. Some regard that Winston Churchill is likely to be chosen as Air Minister. At present Churchill is drastically reorganising the Ministry of Munitions.

There is much criticism with regard to the silence of the anti-aircraft guns during the raid.

### General Wire News.

Washington, Oct. 19.—Reports received by the State Department indicate that the German harvests this year have not appreciably relieved Germany's food situation. There is great scarcity of fats and animal food generally and supplies from Rumania and neutrals do not make up for the lack of proteins. It is definitely established that while some crops are normal in volume, the scarcity of supplies of most commodities have not been increased. Official diplomatic despatches confirm the Austrian naval routines cabled on Oct. 16. This and the Ostend military have profoundly impressed American naval circles as showing the fear of German seamen to serve in submarines.

Amsterdam, Oct. 19.—The Lokkrandzger says that changes in the chief offices of the Empire will be decided immediately the Kaiser returns from Constantinople.

Amsterdam, Oct. 19.—Allied aeroplanes bombed Frankfurt on Friday in the daytime.

Petrograd, Oct. 19.—Martial law has been proclaimed at Kutais in the Caucasus after the mob had sacked the central quarters of the town.

The executive of the Petrograd Soldel has issued a manifesto urging local Soldels to mercilessly suppress even by force of arms the excesses reducing the whole country to anarchy.

The strike at the Petrograd paper mills has ended.

Rome, Oct. 19.—Hurricanes on the 16th and 17th devastated Messina and environs. Hundreds of dwellings were destroyed by floods and eleven perished. The roads and railways are disorganised.

Athens, Oct. 19.—Theophilus, archbishop of Athens, has been sentenced by an ecclesiastical court to degradation for two years and confinement in a monastery for interfering in politics and assisting officially in the Anathema on Venizelos. Other prelates were sentenced to various penalties.

A U-boat captured by the British will be exhibited at New York in aid of the Liberty Loan.

Monte Video, Oct. 19.—A United States naval squadron has arrived.

London, Oct. 18.—The death has occurred of Sir W. Byles M. P.

London, Oct. 18.—In the House of Commons, replying to a number of questions as regards imperial financial assistance for soldiers and sailors for overseas land settlement after the war, Mr. Bonar Law stated that recommendations from the Empire Settlement Committee necessitated fresh legislation and he hoped shortly to announce the Government policy concerning this. The report of the committee has been communicated to the overseas Governments and comments are invited.

London, Oct. 18.—Egypt Official: The Arabs early in October successfully raided the railway communications to the north of Medina.

London, Oct. 16.—A French communiqué says: On the Aisne front there is reciprocal artillery fire which is less intense on the left of the Meuse. We repulsed an attack north of hill 304. On the right of the Meuse the artillery duel is particularly lively north of Bois des Carrières. German aircraft last night bombarded Dunkirk. There were no victims nor material damage.

London, Oct. 17.—A French communiqué says: After a lively bombardment several enemy raids on the Aisne front south of Courtecon were repulsed. There was a lively artillery duel in the region of the plateaux.

London, Oct. 16.—Wireless German Official: The Bulgarians ceded some villages to the English on the Struma plain.

London, Oct. 17.—French eastern communiqué: The artillery was active on the whole front, especially north of Monastir. The troops repelled enemy detachments on the western bank of Lake Ochrida, attempting to land from barges. The prisoners in the Hamondos raid mentioned yesterday reached 143.

London, Oct. 17.—In the House of Commons, in the course of a discussion on the Electoral Reform Bill, Mr. Dicks said that the expectations and prayers of the best citizens of Ireland went up for the success of the Convention. It was not too much to hope that their expectations and prayers would be gratified.

Baku, Oct. 18.—The strike on the oil-field has ended, most of the men's demands being conceded.

Petrograd, Oct. 18.—The strike of chemists has begun. Only 32 out of 250 chemists' shops in Petrograd are allowed to be open.

### British Red Cross Silver Raffle.

Sir Herbert Dering has received from a kind friend, who prefers to remain anonymous, four magnificent gifts in silver of local manufacture to be disposed of in aid of the British Red Cross "Our Day" Fund. These generous contributions consist of a complete tea service and tray, a large drinking horn of antique pattern, and two cigar boxes.

It is B. M. Minister proposes to make these gifts the nucleus of a *Silver Raffle* collection, and would therefore be glad to receive at an early date any further gifts of silver articles only, antique or modern, which can be spared from private collections, or purchased and donated, for the purpose of providing a substantial list of prizes for the raffle.

The raffle numbers will probably cost five tickets only, as it is desired to attract as large a number of purchasers as possible. This should be a good opportunity of acquiring valuable prizes presents. Arrangements for drawing will be placed in the hands of the Committee of the forthcoming British Red Cross Fête, and details will be announced later of the number of prizes received and as to where numbers for the raffle may be obtained.

### Western Field.

London, Oct. 18.—Field Marshal Haig reports: London troops successfully raided last night in the neighbourhood of Gavrelle. Several of the enemy were killed or taken prisoner. Our positions were held. Hostile artillery is active south of the Ypres Comines canal and in the neighbourhood of Zonnebeke and Broodseinde.

London, Oct. 19.—Field Marshal Haig reports: Hostile artillery shelled vigorously various localities to the east of Ypres and positions to the south-east of Poelcapelle. The activity of our artillery continues to be successful in counter-battery work and carried out a concentrated fire which was directed with good effect on a number of targets. A few prisoners were brought in. There has been no further infantry action. There was great aerial activity yesterday. Ninety-eight bombs were dropped on the enemy's billets and hutments. The enemy's machines were very aggressive in the forenoon making several flights over our lines. Of eleven we brought down three which fell in our territory. Four others were driven down. Three of ours are missing.

#### The French

London, Oct. 18.—The French communiqué says: Enemy aeroplanes yesterday evening again bombed Nancy causing civilian injuries. Six German aeroplanes were destroyed yesterday. We fell out of control in their own lines. French air squadrons freely bombed railway stations, factories and numerous munition depots and bivouacs.

London, Oct. 19.—A French communiqué. North of the Aisne our troops repulsed an attack against the Valenciennes plateau. There have been artillery actions. We occupied Maison de Champagne the north of Sonain, and the right bank of the Meuse in the Bois de Chamme region.

#### Words of Compliment.

London, Oct. 18.—The Press Bureau says: Field Marshal Haig replied to Mr. Lloyd George that the British armies in France were proud to have won the congratulations of the War Cabinet and the generous appreciation conveyed by your message. All ranks are determined to achieve victory and they are confident of doing so.

The Press Bureau also states that Major General Brooking has been given the Order of St. Michael and St. George in recognition of his services in connection with the capture of Hamadi.

London, Oct. 18.—In the House of Commons Mr. Croft asked when the House would have the opportunity of recording its gratitude to the armies of the Empire for their heroism in the successive victories of the Allies since July 1916. Mr. Bonar Law replied that it was intended that a resolution concerning that matter shall be moved by the Prime Minister on Oct. 29. Its terms would be announced in a day or two.

#### Some Contributions.

London, Oct. 18.—In the House of Commons Colonel Yate asked how many men from Malta Gibraltar and Cyprus had been furnished for War Service.

Mr. Howens replied that it would not be of public interest to give the figures, but there was no reason for dissatisfaction with the position.

New York, Oct. 19.—Sir Berkeley Mayntam who has been officially lent by the British to advise the United States Army Medical Department, has arrived at an Atlantic port.

New York, Oct. 19.—\$1,500,000,000 half the minimum quota of the Liberty Loan has been already subscribed.

Washington, Oct. 17.—The Government has loaned to Britain a further £5,000,000, to Russia £10,000,000, to France £4,000,000, and to Belgium £600,000, making a total loaned to the Allies to date of £342,000,000.

### French Situation.

London, Oct. 18.—An extremely obscure situation has developed in Paris since the Chamber passed the vote of confidence in the Poincaré Cabinet on Oct. 16. There has been a secret sitting at which apparently differences arose between the leading politicians about the peace question. Moreover Poincaré's explanation at the public sitting of his methods of dealing with M. Douhet's accusations against M. Malvy failed to please the Chamber, consequently a Cabinet crisis appears impending. The reconstruction of the Cabinet will largely depend on the attitude of the Socialists, who, while standing outside the ministry, exercise a predominant influence. It is impossible to say whether the crisis is due to quarrels of politicians or to deeper underlying motives.

Madrid, Oct. 18.—Martial law has been revoked. The Minister for War has resigned, General Marina having been appointed his successor.

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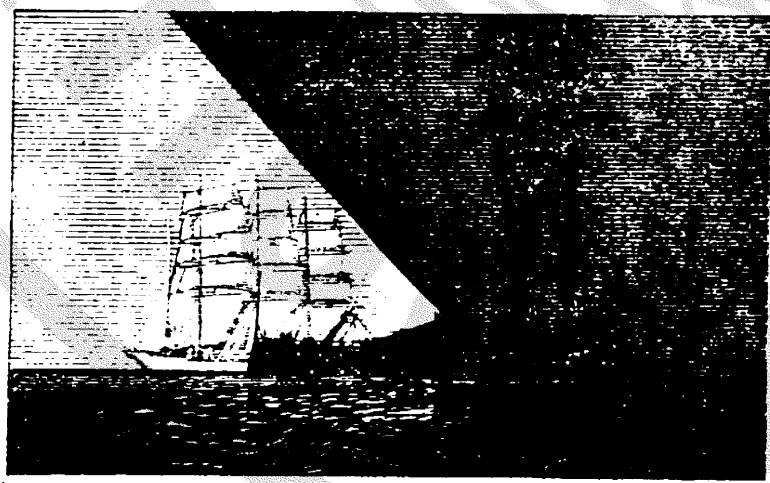
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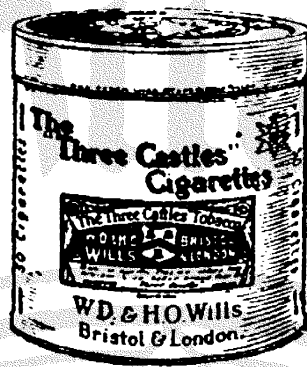
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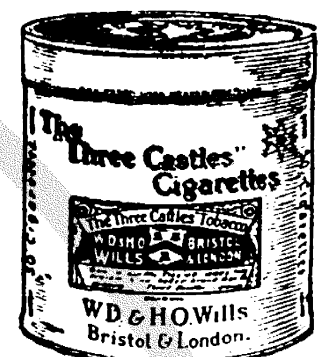
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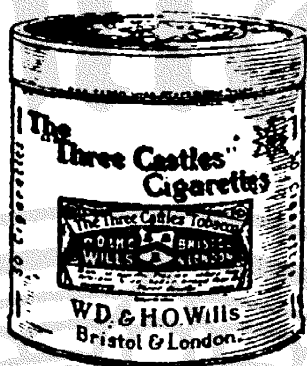
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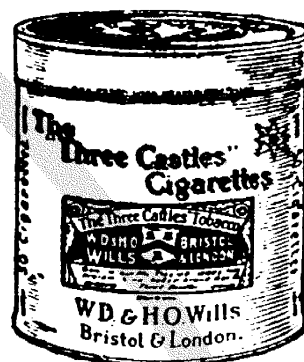
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New York, Oct. 16.—A man giving the name of Dunbar, which it is not believed is his real name, has been arrested on a charge of attempting to obtain military or naval information. He is an ex-member of the crew of a United States submarine-chaser and has been spending much time near a great naval base on the Atlantic coast. The Department of Justice regards the arrest as most important, believing he is a German agent.

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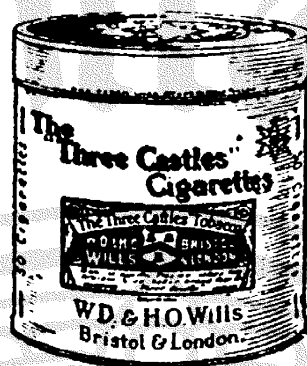
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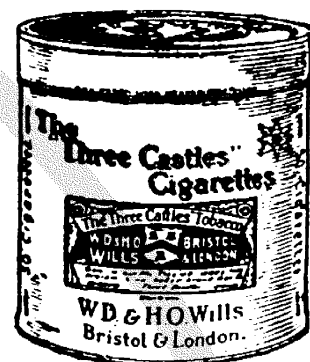
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