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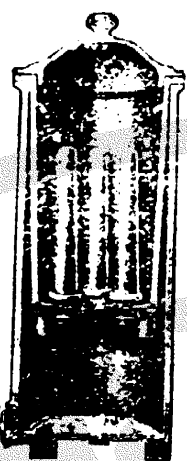
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DEPTH OF WATER ON THE
BANGKOK BAR.
FOR March 1917.

| Mar. | A.M. | | | L. W. (Approx.) | Feet. |
|------|-------|-----------|-------|--------------------|-------|
| | H. W. | Ft. & in. | L. W. | | |
| 1 | 7 00 | 14 4 | ... | ... | ... |
| 2 | 7 00 | 14 2 | ... | ... | ... |
| 3 | 7 00 | 14 2 | ... | ... | ... |
| 4 | 4 00 | 14 4 | ... | ... | ... |
| 5 | 4 30 | 14 6 | ... | ... | ... |
| 6 | 5 00 | 14 8 | ... | ... | ... |
| 7 | 5 30 | 14 8 | ... | ... | ... |
| 8 | 6 00 | 14 10 | ... | ... | ... |
| 9 | 6 00 | 15 0 | ... | ... | ... |
| 10 | 6 00 | 14 10 | ... | ... | ... |
| 11 | 6 00 | 14 10 | 1.0 | 7.0 | ... |
| 12 | 6 30 | 14 10 | 1.0 | 7.0 | ... |
| 13 | 7 00 | 14 10 | 2.0 | 7.0 | ... |
| 14 | 7 00 | 14 6 | ... | ... | ... |
| 15 | 7 00 | 14 6 | ... | ... | ... |
| 16 | 7 00 | 14 6 | ... | ... | ... |
| 17 | 7 00 | 14 4 | ... | ... | ... |
| 18 | 4 00 | 14 8 | ... | ... | ... |
| 19 | 4 00 | 14 10 | ... | ... | ... |
| 20 | 4 00 | 14 10 | ... | ... | ... |
| 21 | 4 00 | 14 10 | ... | ... | ... |
| 22 | 5 00 | 14 10 | ... | ... | ... |
| 23 | 5 30 | 14 6 | ... | ... | ... |
| 24 | 6 00 | 14 3 | ... | ... | ... |
| 25 | 6 00 | 14 3 | ... | ... | ... |
| 26 | 6 00 | 14 2 | ... | ... | ... |
| 27 | 6 00 | 14 0 | ... | ... | ... |
| 28 | 6 00 | 14 0 | ... | ... | ... |
| 29 | 6 00 | 13 8 | ... | ... | ... |
| 30 | 6 00 | 13 6 | ... | ... | ... |
| 31 | 6 00 | 13 6 | ... | ... | ... |

| Mar. | P.M. | | | L. W. (Approx.) | Feet. |
|------|-------|-----------|-------|--------------------|-------|
| | H. W. | Ft. & in. | L. W. | | |
| 1 | 10 0 | 13 5 | ... | ... | ... |
| 2 | 11 0 | 13 3 | ... | ... | ... |
| 3 | ... | ... | 3.0 | 7.0 | ... |
| 4 | ... | ... | 4.0 | 7.0 | ... |
| 5 | ... | ... | 5.6 | 7.0 | ... |
| 6 | 2 00 | 12 0 | 5.6 | 7.0 | ... |
| 7 | 3 00 | 12 6 | 6.7 | 6.0 | ... |
| 8 | 4 00 | 13 0 | 7.8 | 6.0 | ... |
| 9 | 5 00 | 13 6 | 9.0 | 6.0 | ... |
| 10 | 6 00 | 14 0 | 11.2 | 6.0 | ... |
| 11 | 7 00 | 14 10 | 1.2 | 7.0 | ... |
| 12 | 7 00 | 14 10 | 1.2 | 7.0 | ... |
| 13 | 8 00 | 15 0 | 1.0 | 7.0 | ... |
| 14 | 9 30 | 14 2 | 1.0 | 7.0 | ... |
| 15 | 11 00 | 14 0 | 2.0 | 6.0 | ... |
| 16 | ... | ... | 3.0 | 6.0 | ... |
| 17 | ... | ... | 4.0 | 6.0 | ... |
| 18 | ... | ... | 5.0 | 6.0 | ... |
| 19 | 2 00 | 11 0 | 5.6 | 7.0 | ... |
| 20 | 3 00 | 11 6 | 5.6 | 7.0 | ... |
| 21 | 4 00 | 12 6 | 7.8 | 7.0 | ... |
| 22 | 4 30 | 13 0 | 8.9 | 7.0 | ... |
| 23 | 5 00 | 14 0 | 9.10 | 7.0 | ... |
| 24 | 6 00 | 14 6 | 10.11 | 7.0 | ... |
| 25 | 7 00 | 15 0 | 11.12 | 6.0 | ... |
| 26 | 8 00 | 15 0 | 12.0 | 7.0 | ... |
| 27 | 9 00 | 15 0 | ... | ... | ... |
| 28 | 9 00 | 14 2 | 1.0 | 7.0 | ... |
| 29 | 10 00 | 14 0 | 1.0 | 7.0 | ... |
| 30 | 10 00 | 14 0 | 1.2 | 6.0 | ... |
| 31 | 11 00 | 14 0 | 1.2 | 6.0 | ... |

PHASES OF THE MOON.

Mar. 9th O Full Moon 4 h 40 m a.m.
" 16th (Last Quarter) 7 h 15 m p.m.
" 23rd O New Moon 10 h 47 m a.m.
" 28th) First Quarter 5 h 18 m p.m.

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Bangkok Mails Close.

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Wednesday 7th 10 a.m. J.S. Chutatchit
SINGAPORE.
Friday 9th 5 p.m. J.S. Kuala
(European Mail.)
HONGKONG.
Saturday 10th 12 noon J.S. Haidis

German Plot in United States.

London, Jan. 14.—Reuter's Agency gives the following additional details of the German plot in the United States which ended in the conviction by the Federal District Court at San Francisco, Cal., on charges of conspiracy to set on foot a military expedition to Canada to destroy war munitions in transit to the Allies and of conspiring to commit similar acts in the United States, of Herr Franz Bopp, German Consul-General; Herr von Brincken, a Saxon Lieutenant attached to the Consulate; Charles Crowley, American, and Mrs. Margaret Cornell, his assistant.

Louis J. Smith, American, who obtained immunity by turning State evidence, was the chief witness. He weathered all cross-examination. His evidence was confirmed by telegrams which had passed between him and his employers. Smith first met Von Brincken on May 8, 1916, and the latter hired him as a dynamiter on a monthly salary of \$300 and expenses, with a \$300 bonus for every job done, which included the placing of bombs on ships taking supplies to Vladivostok, the blowing up of trains transporting horses bought by Allied agents, and the dynamiting of Canadian tunnels and bridges.

Von Koolbergen, one of Bopp's co-defendants, was unable to appear, being already convicted and imprisoned in Canada. Smith deceived his employers. He was shadowed everywhere he went by United States Secret Service men. He admitted he suffered from "cold feet" and placed wooden blocks instead of bombs on board outward bound ships.

He bluffed Von Brincken, receiving \$1,250 in cash before he got an inkling that the Germans regarded him with suspicion, whereupon he double-crossed them, confessing to the British Consul in Detroit and asking for the protection of the United States police.

The telegrams produced as evidence show the thoroughness of the German official methods. A cipher was invented in which, it is alleged, "lawyer" meant dynamite plot; "manager" represented bomb planter; "manager" stood for Franz Bopp; "queer news" indicated that Allied ships were safe, and "other party" referred to Captain von Papen.

The Greek Blockade.*

London, Feb. 26.—Reuter learns the Allies are permitting certain cargoes of grain to enter Greek ports in order to relieve the more pressing necessities of the Greeks but the blockade will not be raised until Sarraï's flank is completely secure.

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| a.m. 7.00, 8.00, 9.00, 10.00, 11.00, 12.10. | | | | | | | | | |
| p.m. 1, 1.30, 2.30, 3.10, 3.50, 4.40, 5.30, daily. | | | | | | | | | |
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| " " Kai Koh Yai ... 1.00 ... | | | | | | | | | |
| LINE 2—TANON TOK TO PAKLAT in connection with Paklat Tram Cars Thahin | | | | | | | | | |
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| LINE 3—THA CHANG WANG LUANG TO KLONG BANGKOK NOI. | | | | | | | | | |
| Boats leave Tha Chang Wang Luang landing a.m. 7.30, 8.30, 9.30, 10.30, 11.30, and p.m. 1.00, 2.30, 3.30, 4.30, and 5.30, daily. | | | | | | | | | |
| LINE 4—KLONG SAMRONG LOCK TO BANG HIA. | | | | | | | | | |
| Boats leave the Lock in connection with the Paknam Railway train 10.45 a.m. from Bangkok. | | | | | | | | | |

ROYAL STATE RAILWAYS.

(Broad Gauge Lines.)

TIME TABLE

In force from 1st April, 1916.

| | | | | | | | | | | | |
|-------------|------|-------|-------|------|------|------------|------|------|-------|-------|-------|
| Bangkok | Dep. | 7.— | 9.48 | 1.25 | 3.33 | Lampang | Dep. | ... | ... | ... | 7.33 |
| Ayuthia | Arr. | 9.3 | 11.41 | 3.33 | 5.45 | | | ... | ... | ... | p.m. |
| | | | p.m. | | | Den Chai | " | ... | ... | ... | 12.38 |
| Ban Phaji | Arr. | 9.47 | 12.20 | 4.24 | 6.30 | Tna Sao | " | ... | ... | 7.1 | 2.21 |
| | | | | | | Utaratit | " | ... | ... | 7.18 | 2.40 |
| | | | | | | Ban Dara | Arr. | ... | ... | 8.16 | 3.26 |
| | | | a.m. | p.m. | p.m. | | | | | a.m. | p.m. |
| Ban Phaji | Dep. | 9.57 | 12.37 | 4.30 | ... | Sawa'loke | Dep. | ... | ... | 7.— | 2.10 |
| Lopburi | Arr. | 11.5 | 1.55 | 5.48 | ... | | | ... | ... | 8.1 | 3.11 |
| | | | p.m. | | | Ban Dara | Arr. | ... | ... | | |
| Chengkot | Dep. | 12.33 | 3.38 | ... | 7.25 | | | | | a.m. | p.m. |
| Pak'poh | Arr. | 2.17 | 5.40 | ... | 9.54 | | | | | 8.24 | 3.32 |
| | | | p.m. | a.m. | | | | | | 10.43 | 5.30 |
| Pak'poh | Dep. | 2.26 | 6.30 | ... | ... | | | | | | |
| Pitsa'loke | Arr. | 6. | 11.5 | ... | ... | | | | | a.m. | p.m. |
| | | | | | | Pitsa'loke | Dep. | ... | ... | 1.45 | 7.— |
| | | | | | | Pak'poh | Arr. | ... | ... | 6.30 | 10.34 |
| | | | a.m. | p.m. | | | | | | p.m. | a.m. |
| Pitsa'loke | Dep. | 7.4 | 2.2 | ... | ... | | | | | 3.52 | ... |
| Ban Dara | Arr. | 9.5 | 4.18 | ... | ... | | | | | 7.20 | 10.43 |
| | | | | | | | | | | p.m. | |
| Ban Dara | Dep. | 9.20 | 4.40 | ... | ... | Pak'poh | Dep. | 6.21 | ... | 9.22 | 12.28 |
| S'kaloke | Arr. | 10.21 | 5.41 | ... | ... | Lopburi | Dep. | ... | 7.10 | 11.6 | 1.56 |
| | | | a.m. | p.m. | | | | | | p.m. | |
| Ban Dara | Dep. | 9.10 | 4.26 | ... | ... | Ban Phaji | Arr. | ... | 8.30 | 12.21 | 3.4 |
| Utaratit | " | 10.6 | 5.29 | ... | ... | | | | | | |
| Tna Sao | " | 10.15 | 5.38 | ... | ... | | | | | p.m. | a.m. |
| Den Chai | " | 11.57 | ... | ... | ... | | | | | 7.— | ... |
| | | 4.52 | ... | ... | ... | | | | | 5.55 | ... |
| Lampang | " | ... | ... | ... | ... | | | | | 7.12 | 11.32 |
| | | | a.m. | p.m. | p.m. | | | | | 1.13 | 1.52 |
| Ban Phaji | Dep. | 11.7 | 12.30 | 4.41 | ... | | | | | p.m. | |
| Gengko | Arr. | 11.7 | 1.26 | 5.51 | ... | Ban Phaji | Arr. | ... | 8.22 | 12.29 | 2.59 |
| | | | | | | | | | | a.m. | p.m. |
| Lat Bua Kao | Dep. | ... | 4.8 | ... | 8.2 | Ban Phaji | Dep. | 6.27 | 8.37 | 12.44 | 3.14 |
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Krupps' Men Hungry.**Potato Lack Rouses Great Anger.**

The failure of the German potato harvest, says a Rotterdam correspondent, is continually becoming more apparent, and is having serious effects. Even the great industrial districts of Essen and Düsseldorf have had the weekly allowance per head reduced to 3 lbs., which is 2 lb. less than in Berlin. The reduction has caused great discontent throughout these districts. At Essen the municipal authorities protested to the Government administrator, but were simply told the reduction had become absolutely necessary, and they must help themselves out with turnips. Thereupon the municipal authorities passed a resolution that industrial districts ought not to be worse off as regards the daily potato supply than other parts of the country. They requested the higher authorities to take all lawful measures and means against a further decrease.

An interview with a neutral revealing the motives and effects of the Kaiser's peace proposal has attracted attention in the enemy press. It is dealt with, however, in characteristic fashion. Instead of reproducing the article the papers treat it by way of comment, merely quoting isolated sentences to suit their purpose. The Lokalanzeiger says:

"The Entente Press now says Germany has not been starved. The revolution continually prophesied for the next day has not arrived. The Entente Press no longer paints our position in lurid colours, but shows a preference for low-toned mixtures. In a clever example of this mixing, the writer says the motive for the peace proposal was Germany's wish to avoid economic ruin. For a grounding for this theory facts undeniable in themselves are used in a very intelligent manner. It is undeniable that we have had a very bad potato harvest, and that in consequence provisioning with potatoes brings a great many undesirable difficulties. The want of potatoes, according to this informant, has changed the warlike character and the spirit of the German people into a longing for peace, so the Government fears not being able to hold the people in hand if they do not make an attempt at peace."

Effect of Mass Levy.

"This may appear very plausible to those who do not know Germany. Somewhat less plausible, however, is the statement that we expect economic ruin from the operation of civilian conscription. Our industries have

been successful, notwithstanding the cutting off of supplies of raw material and for the great part having to do without former markets, in quickly adapting themselves to the demands of the war. Therefore, it is very difficult to believe that after the conclusion of peace they will find it impossible to return from war economy to peace economy, while simultaneously the markets of the world for buying raw materials and placing their manufactured wares will be open to them again. There is nobody in Germany who has such a fear as that suggested. The best proof of this is the readiness of both employers and employed to adapt themselves to new war work."

It may be interpolated here that neither employers nor employed in Germany have any choice in this matter of "adapting themselves to war work." They are compelled to do so by the civilian conscription law, and the authorities decide whether their customary industries are essential or not. If not, they must perforce "adapt themselves to war work." The paper adds:

"Cool heads have never feared that the nation whose achievements during the war have been thrown up in such a strong light, giving them the most intensive advertisement, will not be able, after the conclusion of peace, to reconquer the world's markets."

The Frankfurter Zeitung reluctantly complains about the reproduction of the article in the Dutch Press, adding that but for this fact it would not trouble itself about the "empty talk of this neutral." The Frankfurter carefully limits its quotations from the article to those passages dealing with the German Government's optimistic view of the military situation. Touching on the ground given by my informant for the peace proposal, the paper says:

"The Entente had very good means of discovering the genuine character of the German peace proposal. They only needed to accept the proposal, when they could easily have learned that the offer had a very serious character."

"The Blasters."

San Francisco, January 19.—The prosecutor in a bomb explosion charge stated that an Anarchist organisation known as "The Blasters" had made a threat to assassinate President Wilson. The prosecutor quoted from the Anarchist paper in support of his statement.

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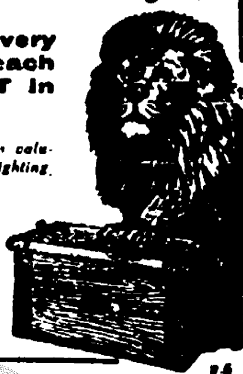
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THE IRON AND STEEL TRADE.

An unprecedented situation in the business world has been created by circumstances as remarkable as they have been hitherto unknown. Many trade outlets have been closed, the ordinary output of the chief producing countries has very largely been suspended in favour of arms and munitions of war, and in addition great restrictions have been imposed in regard to shipping facilities. In the case of the iron and steel trade the chief source of supply is now the United States, the iron foundries and steel works of the principal European countries having as a measure of necessity become establishments controlled by the respective Governments. The activities of the industry have increased rather than otherwise, but have been deflected into a new channel. Statistics show no serious diminution in the exports of the trade for 1916, but as these exports consist so largely of war materials they do not allow of any reliable comparison with the figures for the years prior to the outbreak of hostilities.

The United States of America must have reaped the richest harvest ever yet gathered by any country. The production there of pig iron reached somewhere near forty million tons in 1916. The enormous prosperity which America has experienced, while affording cause for great satisfaction, has had also the effect of arousing there some anxiety and apprehension as to the outlook for the trade after peace has been declared. There is a strong feeling that, while Great Britain will again become one of the foremost competitors in the field, America may suffer from the effects of the abnormally profitable period through which it is now passing; and the report was not surprising that a "slump" in Wall Street occurred not so very long ago when rumours of peace were being persistently circulated.

It is a matter of practical certainty that a fierce controversy will begin in England on the respective merits of Free Trade and Protection as soon as the War is over and manufacturers are permitted to turn their attention once more to ordinary requirements. Judging by the consensus of opinion now prevailing it might happen that the British Government will adopt some measures of protection for the future, but exactly what effect this departure from a time-honoured principle will have it is impossible to foresee and only time can determine. The advocates in England of Free Trade contend that it is Free Trade above all which has made London the clearing-house of the trade of the whole world, and that the overthrow of the system will in due course deprive the British capital of this proud distinction and finally result in shifting the business centre of the world from London to New York. The arguments in favour of this view are perfectly logical, but actual events do not always follow the course indicated by logical premises. The attempt some years ago by Joseph Chamberlain and his followers to knock the bottom out of Free Trade was a great failure, and whether altered conditions will bring the British electorate to a change of views remains to be seen.

There is no trade which will be more

affected by any such change than the iron and steel one, and we can well understand the natural anxiety with which the leading spirits of that vastly important trade are looking forward to the possibilities of the near future.

LOCAL AND GENERAL.

MR. Florio is going on a holiday tomorrow to Hua Hin.

A NOTICE regarding the sale of several plots of land including paddy fields will be found elsewhere.

OWNERS are reminded that entries for the Turf Club races close tomorrow at 7 p.m. at the Turf Club House.

ACCORDING to despatches received in Geneva from Budapest, subscriptions to the last Hungarian loan totalled 2,500,000,000 kronen.

MR. Daniel Neubronner, who arrived to-day by the ss. *Kuala*, has brought to Bangkok a consignment of rare orchids. For prices etc. see advertisement.

DURING 1916, says a Wireless Press message from Zurich, more than ten thousand Germans resident in Switzerland have become naturalised Swiss subjects.

THE ss. *Kuala* will leave from the Borneo Company's wharf at 4 a.m. sharp, on Saturday the 10th inst., and should arrive in Singapore on Tuesday morning.

THE following passengers arrived to-day by the ss. *Kuala*:—Mr. and Mrs. Jefferson, Mrs. Coatsworth, Misses Coatsworth and Mr. E. J. Coatsworth, Mr. H. Tabuss, Mr. and Mrs. Hamilton Price and Mr. S. D. Neubronner.

FRIENDS of Mr. Harry Bligh Wall, formerly Assistant Manager of the Siam Tin Syndicate at Phuket, will be pleased to hear that he has just been awarded the Military Cross for distinguished service in the field.

ACCORDING to an official communiqué published by le Temps, the repatriation has been decided upon of at least 50,000 Frenchmen from the occupied territory. They will be sent back to France via Switzerland, at the rate of 500 daily.

ONE of the largest individual subscribers to the British War Loan is a neutral. The sum of £125,000 is subscribed by Don Nicolas Suarez, a Bolivian rubber merchant, of Feuchurchst, E. C. Of the total £68,000 is new money.

IN a county council discussion at Dorby on farmers' difficulties, one of the speakers declared that farmers' wives would never consent to their husbands going about the fields with young girls while they were left at home to make puddings.

THE Committee of the British Red Cross Fete wish it to be understood that all those belonging to Allied and Neutral Nations will be cordially welcome at Frankfield on Saturday, 10th March. The Fete begins at 7 p.m. No special invitations are being issued.

THE ex-Kings of Annam Thanh-Thai and Dny-Tan, who left Indo-China in November last, are now comfortably established at La Reunion—their place of internment, where the French Government pays them a life annuity of fr. 30,000 and fr. 15,000, respectively.

NEW advts.—Doulton's improved filters for sale at Messrs. Whiteaway, Laidlaw and Co. "The Battle of the Somme" film will be shown again to-night and to-morrow night. Messrs. E. M. Pereira and Co. will sell by auction on Saturday next the household furniture, etc. of Captain Petersen.

FRAU Bertha Krupp and her mother, answering the Kaiser's call for gold, have according to a Hague despatch to the Daily Express, sent their jewellery to the Essen branch of the German National Bank and taken their famous diamonds to Berlin, whence they are to be sent to neutral countries to be sold for the benefit of war charities.

IN view of the difficulties now attendant on passages to Europe, says a Bombay telegram, the P. and O. Company have decided to introduce special six months' holiday return tickets to Australia and New Zealand. Many P. and O. Company's outward Australian mail steamers during April, May and June will call at Bombay in which there will be ample room for any passenger desirous of visiting Australasia.

Warned Off.

Rome, January 21.—The "Giornale d'Italia" states that the Germans have ordered the inhabitants of Alsatian villages on the Swiss frontier to evacuate their homes and withdraw behind the Rhine, carrying with them all their foodstuffs. The Germans are concentrating heavily on the Alsatian borders of Lake Constance, presumably for use on the Trentino front.

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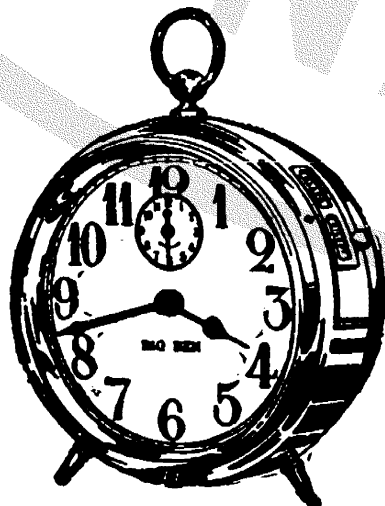
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THE Great War.

Mission to Russia Satisfactory.

(REUTERS TELEGRAM.)

London, March 5.

The members of the Allied Mission to Russia have returned, and express themselves as satisfied with the result of their visit.

British Destroyer Sunk.

(REUTERS TELEGRAM.)

London, March 5.

Admiralty.—A destroyer was sunk with all hands in the North Sea on March 1. The vessel was probably mined.

Capture of Hamadan Confirmed.

(REUTERS TELEGRAM.)

London, March 5.

Wireless. Russian Official.—Our Persian detachments took the offensive in the direction of Bidjar, and occupied a village two miles south-west thereof. We captured Hamadan on Friday.

Strong Disclaimer From Japan.

(REUTERS TELEGRAM.)

London, March 5.

Tokio.—The Japanese Government authoritatively state that the German proposal for an alliance with Japan against America was never submitted to Japan in any form, either officially or unofficially, but if it had been "there could of course have been only one reply." The Premier and the other members of the Japanese Cabinet denounce the proposal as an evil dream of degenerate minds.

The Church Workers' Association.

A ladies' meeting was held last evening at Dr. Hillyard's house for the purpose of considering the possibility of starting a Branch in Bangkok of the above Association. There was quite a good attendance. After tea, Dr. Hillyard welcomed those present to his house and expressed the hope that it would be possible to start the work of the Association here. He then asked Mrs. Simmons to speak and explain whatever needed explanation. Some questions were then asked and answered, and it was decided to hold a short business meeting at Dr. Hillyard's house on Friday the 16th inst. at 6.30 p.m. This meeting will be for the purpose of enrolling members and for the election of officers, &c. Any ladies who were unable to attend yesterday's meeting will be welcome to come to this business meeting and to become members of the Association.

The Church Workers' Association is a religious organisation which carries on its work in different parts of the world. Its first object is to do anything that may be needed in the Churches. After this, it exists to work for and to support any charitable object, here or elsewhere, about which the members may agree. The Association will meet monthly for work—and the business meetings will be held quarterly. The monthly meetings of the Bangkok Branch will be on the fourth Friday of each month. The Subscription is £5 per year. Members may subscribe more if they wish to do so. There is a great variety of work which such an organisation can do here—and it is very probable that a good start will be made. Mrs. Simmons will be pleased to answer any further inquiries.

London, Feb. 26.—India stocks are at 43½, and 54½. India bills 5 3/16. Rubber is a sellers market. Lined is 11½ 6d at 100 paid, and Brown Cawnpore buyers: Para rubber is 38½d paid, copra 44½, coconut second hand 62 done but with no other sellers near that price.

London, Feb. 27.—The silver market is steady.

London, Feb. 27.—The deaths have occurred of General Mowbray Thompson, last survivor of the siege of Cawnpore, and Major General Sir Cromer Ashburnham, Col. Comdt. K. R. C. C.

London, Feb. 27.—In the Commons Sir R. Wintley announced the War Office proposed to supply thirty thousand soldiers for agricultural work, of whom fifteen thousand would be temporarily released from the home defence army for spring cultivation, and the others would work under military control.

The Sea War.

Laconia Details.

London, Feb. 27.—The Cunard announces that practically all were saved from the Laconia. There were 20 Americans in the crew and six American passengers.

Later: The Laconia was torpedoed at 10.15 on Sunday night. It is known that one is dead and some missing.

London, Feb. 27.—The correspondent of the Daily Chronicle at Queenstown says the Laconia was twice torpedoed. It was comparatively calm weather but she listed heavily and the boats were lowered with difficulty. There was no panic amongst the passengers. It is variously estimated the drowned number from 10 to 22 including two Americans.

London, Feb. 27.—It transpires that eight out of the nine missing from the Laconia died in the boat from exposure. There were six American passengers and 15 crew on the Laconia, who were all saved, except two ladies who were buried at sea.

London, Feb. 27.—Photographs published show Sir Charles Madden as second in command of the Grand Fleet and Sir William Fakenham who commands the Battle Cruiser Fleet.

London, Feb. 27.—The brunt of the bombardment was suffered by a hamlet between Margate and Broadstairs. The worst experience was in the cottage of a family of nine. The mother rushed upstairs to fetch her ten months old infant when a shell killed the mother and mortally injured the baby. Two other children were seriously injured.

Washington, Feb. 27.—President Wilson's speech has foreshadowed his action which will probably be the declaration of Armed Neutrality. The Bill mentioned on Feb. 27 and introduced in the House of Representatives provides for a special bond issue of \$100,000,000.

The Dutch Vessels. London, Feb. 28.—The Press Bureau says the arrivals for the week ending Feb. 25 of merchantmen of all nationalities in the United Kingdom (over one hundred tons and exclusive of fishing or local craft) was 2,280 and sailings 2,261. Of British merchantmen of 1,600 tons or upwards sunk by mine or submarine fifteen, dived under 1,600, six. British merchantmen unsuccessfully attacked numbered twelve and fishing vessels sunk four.

London, Feb. 26.—Week-end sinkings include the steamers Beneficent, Isar, Falcon, Grenadier, Longhurst, Trojan Prince (British). The captain and six of the crew of the Grenadier were killed. Total tonnage about 14,000.

London, Feb. 26.—Officers of the Dutch steamer Eemland interviewed in London state that simultaneously with the submarine's order to stop a torpedo was fired just missing the Eemland's stern. The captain replying in the darkness to the peremptory command to quit the ship said, "We are for the Dutch Government." The only answer was "five minutes." The submarine was exceptionally large and had two guns. We had to leave everything behind, even the ship's papers. We drifted in the boats for twelve hours thinly clad and were picked up by a British vessel at six in the morning. The submarine made the officers of other Dutch boats take bombs to destroy the Eemland but first they pillaged the wine and food.

The newspapers express horror at the outrage and sympathy with the Dutch nation but emphasise that the Dutch are victims of their reliance on German promises and their disregard of the protection of the British Admiralty. They are of opinion that Germany is exploiting Holland's anxiety to keep out of the war and turning the screw to see how much the victim will stand and possibly seeking an excuse to make a piratical food raid on Holland. They point out that neutrals, Scandinavia included, must now see the mistake of failing to find a basis of common defence against a brigand empire and speculate on the attitude of the United States but do not expect action therefrom.

Amsterdam, Feb. 28.—The German Legation has informed the Government that Germany is willing to place German ships at Holland's disposal during the war as compensation for the seven torpedoed, on the understanding that Holland will negotiate about the eventual purchase of them after the war.

The Laconia. London, Feb. 28.—Two American ladies, victims of the Laconia were among the seven who died from exposure out of twentyone occupants of a waterlogged boat. A priest aboard said that the boat hit the Laconia's stern when being lowered and the planks burst. They drifted without oars or rudder, the water being up to the gunwale from ten at night to three next afternoon. Everybody crowded to the bows and stern. Waves washed the weaker overboard. Others, including an American negro, died and were thrown into the sea as the weight of the bodies would have endangered the waterlogged boat. While the priest was being interviewed the lady at his side was sobbing bitterly. She is an actress coming to England to be married and saw her fiancé die in the boat.

165 of the crew of the Laconia have crossed from Dublin to Liverpool. The majority had been previously torpedoed in the Franconia.

Further stories of survivors confirm the statement that the ship was twice torpedoed. The first hit the stern. The

captain ordered all lights to be turned on to facilitate the escape of the passengers and crew. The vessel listed and then righted, sinking slowly. The submarine reappeared and torpedoed the engine room, though the boats were close by and clearly visible in the blaze of electricity. The Laconia sank immediately. The captain and several officers had to swim. Subsequently the submarine bobbed up astern of a boat crowded with women and demanded the captain. It received an evasive answer and finally vanished. The steward kept one boat alive with imitations of Harry Lauder and other comedians forcing all to join the choruses till they were picked up.

Washington, Feb. 28.—Despatches confirm the death of the Americans on the Laconia, thus establishing the over tact to be regarded as another Lusitania case.

President Wilson and the State Department officials consider that no steps should be taken until Congress acts, on the President's request for authority to arm merchantmen, and this sinking will hasten the action of Congress.

Committees of both Houses have been busy redrafting the bill, but it is now expected that they will acquiesce in the Government's wish, and the bill will be passed practically unchanged.

American Liner Welcomed. Bordeaux, Feb. 28.—The reception of the Orleans was most enthusiastic. The perfect heading the notables boarded the vessel and addressing the captain said: "Your courageous action is tantamount to a defeat of the modern barbarians." A procession escorted the captain and crew to luncheon at the Town Hall, crowds cheering them and scattering flowers.

London, Feb. 28.—German Official: A German seaplane successfully bombed an enemy transport in the North Aegean. A German submarine on Feb. 12 lavishly bombarded the works at Forges de la Dour near Bayonne, causing several fires. The submarine returned safely.

Amsterdam, Feb. 28.—In the Reichstag Count Westarp (conservative) stated Austria fully supported Germany's submarine policy.

Amsterdam, Mar. 1.—A Berlin official gives a fantastic account of the torpedo boats which are said to have raided the Channel beyond the Dover Calais line and entered the mouth of the Thames. The British destroyers stationed in the Channel were scattered after a fierce artillery fight and avoided further action by a hasty retreat. We did not suffer loss or damage and no enemy was further observed here. Another section was raided, not finding any guard as far as the North Foreland into the Downs. We bombarded coast defence works at Margate and vessels quite near the coast. No commercial traffic was observed.

It is hardly necessary to state that the account is a travesty of the facts.

London, Feb. 27.—Sinkings: Steamers Algiers, Aries, Dorothy, and two small craft all British. Total tonnage including Laconia 27,000.

Queenstown, Feb. 27.—The Reverend Father Waring of Baltimore interviewed said the crew of the Laconia was 217 and passengers seventy-five. He himself was talking to the surgeon in the latter's room when a shock knocked down the ornaments and caused the ship to shudder violently. Waring rushed to his stateroom to get his lifebelt and went on deck to his allotted boat-station. The passengers were calm despite the confusion and the extinction of electric lights, and allowed ladies to enter the boats first. Waring's boat jammed during lowering and hung dangerously. The ship's surgeon cut the tackles when it descended safely.

Another priest had a terrible experience and helped in rowing and attended to the injured, though himself injured.

German Baron's Aspirations.

The Hague, January 28.—Baron von Richenberg, a former Governor of German East Africa, writing in "Berlin North and South" states: "The Fatherland must have a colony which it can defend in the next war. Australia is unsuitable because she is becoming too strong and she will be a menace to the German colonies." He advocated the establishment of a colony consisting of a vast portion of the French and Belgian Congo and an exchange of Kiau

Chau, New Guinea, the Australasian Islands and Togoland for British East Africa, Uganda, Northern Rhodesia and Nyasaland. Such a colonial empire, he says, would be easily defended from the sea and it would be worthy of Germany's enterprising spirit, as it would yield all the raw material required."

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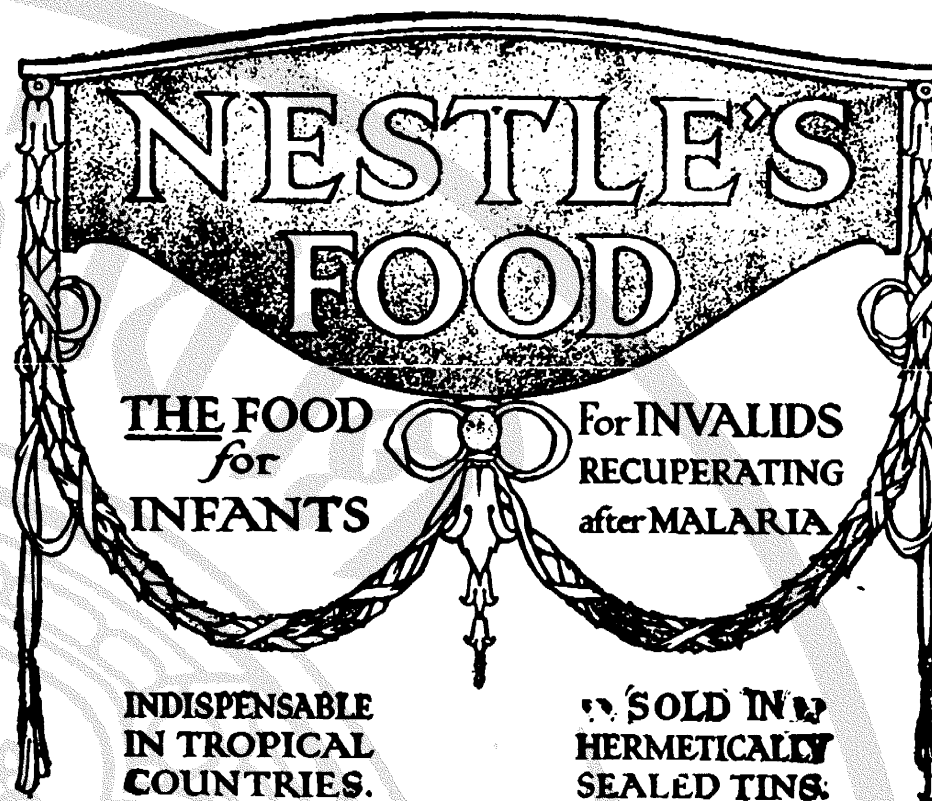
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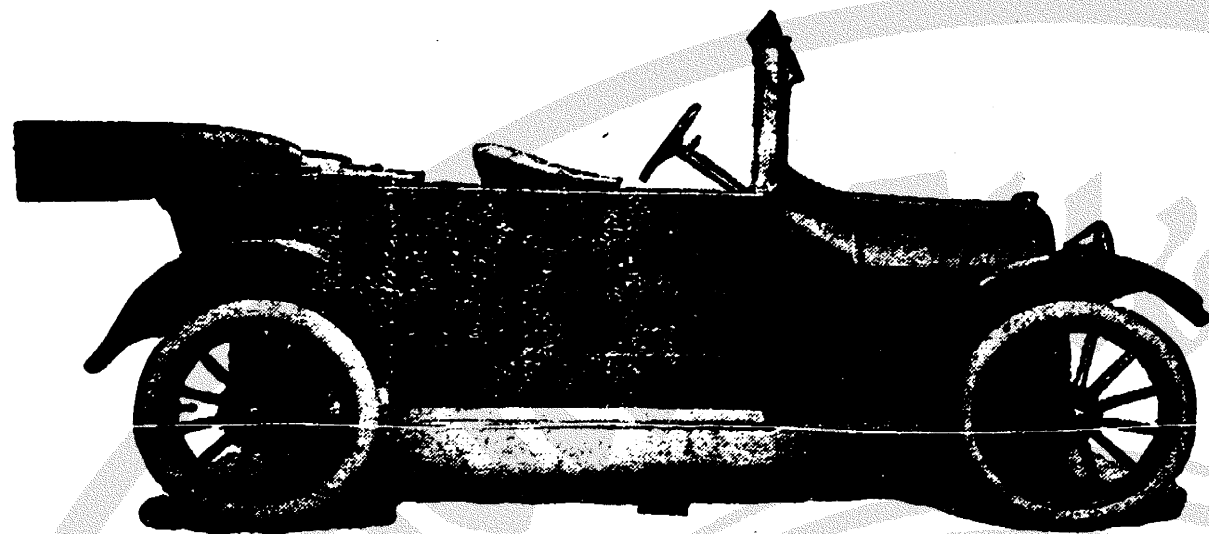
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**German Ships in Philip-
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**The Action of the United States
Authorities.**

The German merchantmen interned in Philippine harbours were seized by the U. S. authorities on Monday, 5th inst. The Manila Times states: The crews were removed. The raid was made as a result of a conference held between the Governor General, Admiral Winterhalter and General Liggett at three o'clock in the afternoon and came as a complete surprise to the Germans. Seizure had been expected, but it was thought, since it had been delayed so long, that it would not take place for a day or two. As far as is known at present, however, the seizing does not mean that the ships have changed ownership.

The interned vessels are:—

At Manila.
Camilla Rickmers, 5,130.00 gross tons, 3,163.00 net tons, owned by Rickmers Line. Bulk of cargo forwarded to destination—remaining on board a quantity of tea and a little general cargo.

Sachsen, 8,007.13 gross tons, 5,088.20 net tons, owned by Hamburg-America Line. The bulk of cargo forwarded to destination—remaining on board a quantity of general cargo from Germany.

Suevia, 3,789.06 gross tons, 2,351.12 net tons, owned by Hamburg-America Line. The bulk of cargo forwarded to destination—remaining on board a quantity of general cargo from Germany.

Johanne, 1,530.88 gross tons, 952.09 net tons, owned by M. Jebson. No cargo on board.

Eselingen, 4,302.00 gross tons, 3,067.00 net tons, owned by Deutsch Australische Dampfschiffs-Gesellschaft. No original cargo on board—has on board a small quantity of rattan cargo transferred from steamer Elmhorn.

Tubingen, 5,586 gross tons, 3,609.00 net tons, owned by Norddeutscher Lloyd. No cargo on board.

Lyseemoon, 1,925.00 gross tons, 1,238.00 net tons, owned by Hamburg-America Line. No cargo on board.

Sambia, 4,765.21 gross tons, 3,011.00 net tons, owned by Hamburg-America Line. No cargo on board.

Carl Deidrichsen, 1,243.00 gross tons, 774.00 net tons, owned by M. Jebson. No cargo on board.

Pong Tong, 1,631.00 gross tons, 997.00 net tons, owned by Norddeutscher Lloyd. No original cargo—has on board general cargo from steamer Tubingen, from Germany.

Andalusia, 5,432.53 gross tons, 3,370.00 net tons, owned by Hamburg-

Amerika Linie. On board a quantity of general cargo from Germany.

Rajah, 2,028.00 gross tons, 1,275.00 net tons, owned by Norddeutscher Lloyd. Timber.

Coblenz, 3,169.00 gross tons, 2,000.35 net tons, owned by Norddeutscher Lloyd. No original cargo—has on board a quantity of general cargo from Princess Alice (from Germany).

Bochum, 6,151.00 gross tons, 3,836 net tons, owned by Deutsch Australische Dampfschiffs Gesellschaft. On board a quantity of general cargo.

Elmhorn, 4,591.00 gross tons, 2,871.00 net tons, owned by Deutsch Australische Dampfschiffs Gesellschaft. On board five cases.

Mark, 6,570.00 gross tons, 4,091.00 net tons, Norddeutscher Lloyd. No cargo.

At Zamboanga.

Darvel, 1,508.00 gross tons, 899.00 net tons, owned by Norddeutscher Lloyd. No record of cargo.

Borneo, 2,168.00 gross tons, 1,344.00 net tons, owned by Norddeutscher Lloyd. No record of cargo.

Marudu, 1,514.00 gross tons, 902.00 net tons, owned by Norddeutscher Lloyd. No record of cargo.

At Cebu.

Weigand, 478.00 gross tons, 291.00 net tons, owned by Deutsche-Sudsee Phosphat. No record.

Tsingtau, 1,686.00 gross tons, 1,002.00 net tons, owned by Norddeutscher Lloyd. No record of cargo.

Princess Alice, 10,981.02 gross tons, 6,629.48 net tons, owned by Norddeutscher Lloyd. No record of cargo.

The steamers in Manila bay are now guarded by the constabulary, six and ten men patrolling the decks of each.

As they stand guard, trained technical men of the Navy examine the engines and machinery. These men said that the officers and men on board the vessels had done all in their power to render the vessels useless for sea voyages.

A special train left Manila for Baguio taking some 160 or more officers and men of the German vessels now under guard in the harbour to the mountain, where they will be housed and fed at the expense of the insular government until such time as they are permitted to return to their steamers.

Mobilisation of Wealth and Property.

London, January 28.—The President of the Local Government Board, Lord Rhonda in a speech at Newport said that he considered the Government would be justified in conscripting the entire wealth and property as well as the manhood of the country. It was not necessary at present but was only averitable by voluntary contributions to loans.

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The East London Explosion.

London, Jan. 21.—Sightseers flocked to the scene of the East London explosion on Sunday in numbers that recalled the pilgrimages last year to Cussey and Potters Bar, but, instead of the jubilation shown when the Zeppelins were "downed," sorrow and sympathy were manifested everywhere. Those who were permitted within the militaryordon stood aghast at the awful spectacle of desolation. Many sought out homeless friends and relatives and provided them with temporary shelters. Search parties continued their gruesome task all day long amid ruins resembling a Belgian town after a German bombardment.

It was pathetic to see families stubbornly refuse to leave their ruined homes and clinging to treasured household goods. The railways discontinued taking passengers outward at certain stations and the authorities diverted the traffic in various ways in order to leave the search parties unhampered, but, despite these precautions, there was enormous congestion in the neighborhood, and an eye witness of the removal of women and girls from the demolished buildings describes the scene as the most heartrending. Women were huddled in groups, many being evidently stunned by the shock of the explosion. Some had their clothing almost stripped off, while others were terribly burned or charred.

Ambulances arrived with wonderful quickness, and steam tugs conveyed many sufferers to hospitals across the river.

A falling roof smashed in a cottage bed room where an infant was asleep and a beam was suspended across the bed but the child was rescued unhurt. The collapse of a staircase in one establishment cut off the ordinary exits and the work-people made a thrilling escape by a trap-door.

Many stirring instances occurred of true grit and dauntless courage on the part of humble householders who were compelled to seek new homes. Hearty and spontaneous help was offered to them by persons equally poor yet not without a house to cover them from the bitter January weather.

A small draper's shop was close to the scene of the explosion and the aged shopman and his wife fled when they saw the fire and escaped injury. When they returned they found the whole furniture and stock destroyed. The old man, with tears in his eyes, explained that he would not have minded so much but he had built up his little business for his soldier son who had been wounded and sent to hospital at Chelsea. He hoped that his son would not be allowed to come to see the shop in ruins.

U. S. Foreign Trade.

Tokio, January 31.—(Eastern News Agency).—The foreign trade of the U. S. A. during the year 1916 shows exports of \$5,481,000,000 and imports \$2,394,000,000.

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The German View.

"Toujours en Vedette."

Amsterdam, Feb. 27.—In the Reichstag the Chancellor, Herr Bethman Hollweg, said he was not tempted to follow the example of hostile leaders and make promises to formulate detailed conditions regarding peace, which was an unproductive and precarious [line of argument]. "The German aim is to terminate the war by a lasting peace which grants us reparation for all the wrongs we have suffered and guarantees for existence in the future to a strong Germany." He characterised the Allies reply to the peace proposals as a document of barbarian hatred, the jeer of which was ruder and more presumptuous than any sensible person could have imagined.

He asserted that he had tried as much as possible to alleviate neutral shipping difficulties owing to the establishment of barred zones, attempting to supply them with coal and iron. All these difficulties were caused by England's tyranny on the seas. "We will and shall break this enslavement for all non English trade." He declared the decision with regard to a barred zone to be irrevocable. "We are fighting for freedom of the oceans, which also is most advantageous to neutrals." He accused Mr. Wilson of brusquely breaking off relations. Mr. Gerard only communicated the decision to the Foreign Secretary verbally, and then asked for his pass-ports. He declared that the procedure adopted was unprecedented and he was forced in the absence of official documents to rely on the Reuter version of Wilson's message to Congress. On Feb. 3 he registered a protest against the President's arguments.

He accused President Wilson variously of favouring the Entente and acting detrimentally to Germany and he entered on a long polemical statement with regard to the exchange of views and an indictment of the American attitude, seeking to prove it was dictated by partiality and selfishness. He argued it was not the first time in history the British had tried a starvation policy, and he declared the submarine successes much surpass the Navy's expectations, even though reports from many have not yet been received. The success won is due partly to sinking and partly to discouragement of neutral shipping.

Dwelling on the necessity for a popular remodelling of German internal life after the war, he derided Mr. Briand and Mr. Lloyd George's declaration that the Allies' aim was to free Germany from Prussian militarism and

confer democratic liberties on Germans. Mr. Lloyd George knew before the war that our geographical situation always reminds us of Frederic the Great's words "toujours en vedette."

Road to Bapaume.

London, Feb. 26.—Reuter's correspondent at Headquarters says the gradual withdrawal of the enemy continues, pressed by the British infantry. There is occasionally determined resistance by isolated detachments especially in the vicinity of Bapaume but without delaying the general British advance. Trees are piled across the roads to Bapaume which are also obstructed by fresh craters, masses of stone and

wire. The underground galleries and water supply of Bapaume have been blown up. The Germans were again favoured by weather in the retreat as the sloppy ground precludes a vigorous pursuit and hampers the bringing up of heavy guns and may enable the Germans to make good a new defensive line to avoid being rushed. It is impossible still to determine how far the retreat will continue. Two natural lines of country affording a strong position are firstly the Bapaume ridge and behind it the longer line between Cambrai and Arras. The British are already in close touch with enemy positions south west of the Bapaume ridge and it is not unlikely the enemy may be compelled to withdraw to the Cambrai-Arras position.

London, Feb. 27.—The enemy's re-

treit on the Ancre, the most considerable since the Battle of the Marne, is undoubtedly the result of continuous British pressure; but military experts, though they rejoice in the bloodless capture of some of the strongest German fortresses, warn us against exaggerating the significance of the German movement, which has been well timed as regards the weather, and enabling them to remove guns and escape, without great loss, from positions threatened with envelopment. While possibly causing the revision of the plans of the Allied offensive, some critics think that the Germans, who are reported to have secured more troops as a result of compulsory civilian service and enslavement of their subject populations, are aiming to secure a delay for the delivery of their stroke, anticipating the Allied offensive.

London, Feb. 27.—Wireless. German Official. There were numerous English advances between Ypres and the Somme, only one reached our trenches to the east of Arras, where a counter-attack drove out the enemy.

The activity on the east front has increased with the decreasing cold.

London, Feb. 27.—A Rumanian communiqué says: We repulsed with heavy losses strong enemy reconnoissances on the northwestern frontier of Moldavia. We bombarded enemy trenches on the Soroth dispersing enemy troops and supply columns.

London, Feb. 27.—Wireless. Russian Official. In the region of Somorgon the enemy discharged eight gas waves in seven hours.

We repulsed a Turkish attack north of Sivassky.



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