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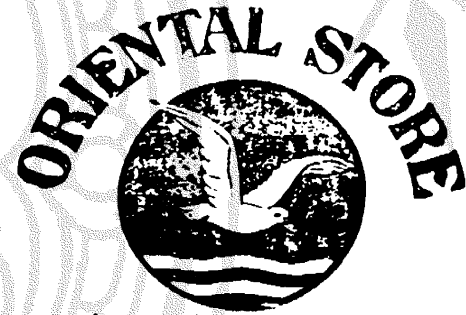
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## The German Settler.

BY CAPT. HUGH B. C. POLLARD.

The most potent weapon in the hands of the German militarist is probably the individual German's passion for organisation, card indexing and tabulation of facts. This trait in the German character is familiar to most of us; the enquiring Tontoon, with his grave but almost feverish love of fact, was a commonplace in those old days when hordes of German tourists voyaged. Baedeker in hand, round Europe. This national characteristic has been artfully developed by the German rulers, and it forms a basis for the worldwide spy system which they call "peaceful penetration."

Most people will admit that an individual German may possibly be a decent fellow; but on the other hand it is now common knowledge that an organised community of Germans is a danger to any State. The German Government is aware of this, and is always anxious to keep the overseas Germans well in hand. Left to themselves, they might learn the broader meaning of freedom and civilisation, and become worthy citizens of other countries; and that would not suit the Fatherland.

To this end, namely, the preservation of the "true German" standard of Kultur among emigrant Germans, a wonderful organisation is fostered by the German State. It is called a "Society for Deutschtum in Foreign Lands." Deutschtum means "Germanness" an expression which covers all those dominant characteristics which civilisation associates with the modern German spirit. It must not be forgotten that in these characteristics is included all the brutality, frightfulness, and aggressiveness of the Prussian jackboot school.

The German State looks upon its emigrant in all parts of the world as the advance guard of a German conquest. They are no peaceable citizens accepting the hospitality and respecting the laws of a foreign country, but they are Germans, true Germans, biding their time until they can seize or dominate the land that has accorded them its hospitality.

The Germanic societies operate in two ways. In the first place they aim at maintaining the essential Germanness of the emigrants, distributing pictures of the Hohenzollerns, maintaining the German speech and language in the local schools, organising German holidays and national celebrations. In the second, they employ all their influence at home in order to provide more Germans as reinforcements, and make use of all German endeavour in the "colony" in order to send to the Berlin Government accurate detailed report of the economic, political, and military conditions prevalent in the land.

Every settler becomes, if not actually a spy, a "collector of information." But many concentrate their attention directly upon espionage; that is, the collection of military and naval intelligence likely to be of value to the Fatherland.

On being invited to become a member of the society each emigrant is given a long question paper containing over one hundred and forty questions. Besides the officials there are two grades of members, known as "ordinary members" and "confidential members." The latter are frankly enemy agents in peace times, and "war traitors" or spies in time of war. Their photographs, together with all personal particulars, are filed at the German Foreign Office for military use in time of war.

Members are required to supply maps of the country, particulars of all local roads and highways, and of all public buildings, such as schools, churches, or clubs. All matters of military topographical interest are carefully canvassed, though the form of the questions is couched in the most innocent phraseology. Thus the question of the import of arms is masked under query No. 43 of the General Information list: "Is a settler allowed to bring hunting weapons with him?"

Every German settler has thus much pressure brought to bear upon him by his brother colonists. Refusal to join the society involves an ostracism more effective in its punishment than it would be in a more thickly settled district.

Under these circumstances it is not often possible for the ordinary German to achieve his freedom. Being naturally a worshipper of Governmental orders, he falls an easy prey to the specious pretences of the German society, and once ensnared he is doomed to remain German to the day of his death. He is also condemned to rear his free-born off spring in the same deadly atmosphere of Teutonic state-servitude.

Where the German clubs or German institutions flourish, it is impossible for Germans to become good colonists. British colonies and dominions in the past have not prohibited the right of public association and under this liberty the German has treacherously planned hostilities against the very land and folk that give him shelter.

The plans of the German militarist part comprise a vast extension of these methods after the war; and it is clearly the duty of the civilised races to prevent the clandestine spread of these dangerous organisations in their midst. Every possible obstacle must be put in the way of the "association" spirit of the German immigrants. Away from these pernicious influences, the German

settler is not objectionable, and he often develops a sound democratic ideal of citizenship. But under guidance from Berlin, he becomes a danger to the State.

The experiences of this war will have modified the Germans' faith in the "invincible German army" and in the doctrine that "Might is Right." But left to themselves, perpetuating their alien language and their State idolatry, the same danger that we have faced will break out again to threaten our children's happiness and liberty. The peoples of the non-German lands must set themselves sternly to nip all such tendencies in the bud, and to make it indubitably clear to every German who comes among them that, if he desires the privileges of a citizen in their countries, he must begin by genuinely forswearing all "Germanism" in the sense in which that quality has recently been displayed to the world.



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## Hohenzollerns and Hapsburgs.

It is not generally realised, writes "Fabricius" in the *Fortnightly Review*, that Prussia, which now dominates Austria-Hungary, has been created by the Hapsburgs, that for centuries the Hohenzollerns have shown the blackest ingratitude to their benefactors, and have been Austria's most implacable enemies. In the article quoted a short account of the relations between the two dynasties is given. It is illustrated by many interesting documents, most of which are unknown to English readers. At present Berlin rules Vienna, but for all we know, there may be a dramatic turn of the wheel of fortune, and Austria may once more recover her old predominance in Germany.

Brandenburg-Prussia has been created by the Austrian Emperors. Almost exactly five hundred years ago, on April 18, 1417, the Emperor Sigismund solemnly invested at Constance Count Friedrich of Nuremberg with the margraviate of Brandenburg and the Electoral dignity. The small territory of the Hohenzollerns rapidly grew through the energy and enterprise of its rulers. Chiefly by conquest it increased fifteen-fold to its present size, and it grew particularly at the cost of the Austrian Emperors who had created it. At an early date the Hohenzollerns became the opponents and the competitors of the Hapsburgs, their overlords. The Hapsburgs were the determined champions of Roman Catholicism. Not unnaturally the Hohenzollerns, who envied them, became equally determined champions of Protestantism. The Reformation and the sanguinary wars which sprang from it were caused, after all, quite as much by political as by religious motives. Religious differences, envy, and the desire to become independent of Vienna caused Prussia to embark upon a deliberately anti-Austrian policy and Austria's attempts to restrain the growing power of Prussia and to keep that country in obedience merely embittered the Hohenzollern rulers. King Frederick William I created a powerful army for use against his Emperor and his son Frederick the Great attacked Austria soon after his accession involving Silesia under the flimsiest pretext. Frederick manifested his hostility to Austria not merely by depriving that country of its fairest provinces. He also prevented Austria finding compensation for her loss by the acquisition of Bavaria. With that object in view he entered in 1778, in his extreme old age, upon the Bavarian War of Succession. Frederick aimed not merely at enlarging Prussia at Austria's cost. He desired to lame the power

of the Hapsburgs by creating within Germany a counterpoise to Austria in the form of a North German union of States dominated by Prussia. On July 23rd, 1785, he established a union of Prussia, Saxony, and Hanover, which was joined later on by Brunswick, Mecklenburg, Saxe-Weimar, Saxe-Gotha, Zweibrücken, Ansbach, Baden, Anhalt Dessau, and Mayence. Thus Frederick the Great laid the foundation of the North German Confederation and of the German Empire under Prussia's leadership which relegated the Austrian Empire to a secondary position. In his Political Testament of 1792 and of 1796 Frederick the Great urged his successors to extend Prussia's territories in Germany, especially by conquest, and he recommended particularly the acquisition of Saxony, the possession of which would vastly strengthen Prussia against Austria. The anti-Austrian policy which Frederick the Great had consistently pursued during the forty-six years of his reign and which had been bequeathed to him by his ancestors, was naturally continued by his successors.

### Germany's Clean Sweep.

All the cellars, attics and dark corners in Germany are being swept for such valuables as scraps of paper, hair combs, old bottles, cork, etc.

The clean sweep began in Frankfurt, where 50,000 school children were mobilised for the organised collection of refuse on behalf of the State. Many other towns have adopted the scheme, and before long it will embrace the whole of Germany.

Every kind of rubbish has its value in the Fatherland. Collectors are told by the *Frankfurter Zeitung*:

"From women's hair driving bands and shoe soles: from felt hats, boot and shoe soles: from rags, gun-cotton: from celluloid, explosives: from old paper, a substitute for bird feathers: from leather clippings, artificial manure."

By collecting such articles the children are assured they will help to make the world wonder at the inventive genius of the Germans.

Every child gets a collecting book for 1,000 stamps, and when he has 100 stamps he gets a prize. A thousand stamps win a first prize and a button-hole decoration. There are stamps for old paper, old bottles, scraps of metal, tin foil and silver paper, for old corks, rags, gramophone records, combs, human hair, films, etc. An old felt hat is worth ten stamps.

A central collecting station purchases all the waste brought in and gives each school the money, which it can do what it likes with—even to buying war loan.

## THE RAINFALL.

Rainfall for the 4th week in March 2460

| Locality.               | Rainfall recorded during the week. | Rainfall corresponding week of last year. | Total rainfall for present year to date. | Total rainfall corresponding date. | Remarks. |
|-------------------------|------------------------------------|---|--|------------------------------------|----------|
| Millimetres.            | Millimetres.                       | Millimetres.                              | Millimetres.                             | Millimetres.                       |          |
| Ministry of Agriculture | 13.2                               | 78.6                                      | 1468.9                                   | 1365.8                             |          |
| Samudprakar             | No report                          | None                                      | ...                                      | 1962.8                             |          |
| Dhanyaburi              | 36.5                               | ...                                       | 1759.4                                   | 983.3                              |          |
| Ayudhya                 | None                               | 29.5                                      | 1496.6                                   | 1396.6                             |          |
| Anglong                 | 26.0                               | 82.6                                      | 1821.7                                   | 1699.2                             |          |
| Loaburi                 | None                               | None                                      | 1275.4                                   | 1537.2                             |          |
| Nagor Pathom            | ...                                | 24.8                                      | 1728.8                                   | 1582.2                             |          |
| Subarn                  | ...                                | 31.7                                      | 1443.9                                   | 1318.5                             |          |
| Hajaburi                | 43.7                               | 9.5                                       | 1467.3                                   | 1318.5                             |          |
| Bejraburi               | No report                          | 9.4                                       | ...                                      | 1898.2                             |          |
| Kanchanaburi            | None                               | 5.5                                       | 1236.7                                   | 1321.4                             |          |
| Chhaxong Sao            | No report                          | 1.2                                       | ...                                      | 1385.6                             |          |
| Prachin                 | No report                          | 11.8                                      | ...                                      | 1524.6                             |          |
| Udya                    | 11.0                               | None                                      | 1505.6                                   | 1640.6                             |          |
| Jayna I                 | None                               | ...                                       | 1410.5                                   | 1450.1                             |          |
| Bianuloke               | 7.3                                | 58.7                                      | 1758.2                                   | 1923.5                             |          |
| Chiangmai               | None                               | 70.8                                      | 1184.8                                   | 1425.7                             |          |
| Songkhla                | ...                                | 36.7                                      | 1938.1                                   | 2022.0                             |          |

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## Notification

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

WHEREAS under Notification issued on the 9th August B.E. 2460, and the 12th December B.E. 2460, Luang Rama Banjah, Deputy Director of the Partnerships and Companies Registry, Ministry of Justice, was appointed Liquidator for the following Enemy Businesses:

- (1) A. Markwald and Co., Ltd.
- (2) Windsor & Co., and Nord Deutscher Lloyd Shipping Co.
- (3) B.K. Gaudart and Co.
- (4) Alois Schweiger and Co.
- (5) F. Schule and Co.
- (6) The Samosorn Ka Rajakarn.

AND WHEREAS it is expedient that a new Liquidator be appointed for the above mentioned Businesses in the place of the said Luang Rama Banjah.

NOW THEREFORE, under Section 8 of the Law Forbidding Trade with the Subjects of Enemy Countries, B.E. 2460, Nai Yan Chamsaranan, Barrister-at-Law (Siam and England) of the Ministry of Justice, is appointed Liquidator for the said Businesses.

Notification issued on the 23rd April B.E. 2461.

(Sd.) KITTIYAKARA.

Minister of Finance.

23-27

## Notice.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that all creditors and other persons having any claim or demands against the estate of Phya Arthakara Prasiddhi late of Bangkok deceased are hereby required to send particulars in writing of their claims or demands to the undersigned the solicitors for the executors on or before the 25th day of April 1918 after which date the said executors will proceed to distribute the assets of the said deceased amongst the parties entitled thereto having regard only to the claims and demands of which they shall then have had notice and the said executors will not be liable for the assets of the said Phya Arthakara Prasiddhi deceased or any part thereof so distributed to any persons of whose claims or demands they shall not then have had notice.

Dated at Bangkok the 26th day of March, 1918.

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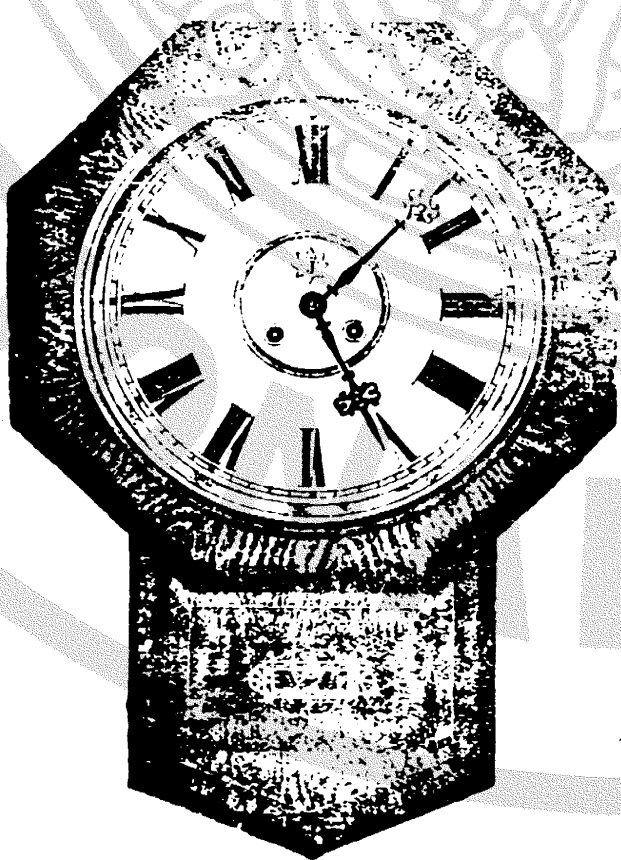
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## Court Circular.

DUSIT PARK,

Tuesday, April 23.

This afternoon His Majesty the King, with members of his suite, left Samudra Sagar for the Capital by special train.

At 5 p.m. the royal train arrived at Klong Sar Terminus where the King embarked in a motor-launch and landed at Vaenkri Landing. From there His Majesty drove in a motor-car to Dusit Park.

This evening His Majesty the King was present at the religious service held in the Abhishek Dusit Hall in connection with the ceremony of "Commencement of Ploughing" in which His Excellency Phao Phya Yamaraj, Minister of Local Government, is acting as His Majesty's Deputy for this year.

## LOCAL AND GENERAL.

Mr. H. V. Bailey leaves for America by the s.s. *Chin Hua* on the 29th inst.

THE s.s. *Liang Chow* brought up 167 bags of mail this morning and the *Katong* 13 bags.

THERE will be the usual weekly Intercession service at St. Mary's Mission to-night at 6.30 p.m.

Mr. W. B. Way, Legal Adviser to the Ministry of Justice stationed at Paket is in town until Friday.

ONE college at Oxford, has at present exactly three students—an Indian, a Chinese, and a Serbian.

THE s.s. *Katong* will leave for Borneo Company's wharf at 1 p.m. sharp, on Saturday the 27th inst., and should arrive in Singapore on Wednesday morning.

UNDER the patronage of the British Minister a Burmese troupe will give a performance at the Hongkong Cinema on Saturday, commencing at 8.00 p.m., in aid of the British Red Cross Fund.

THE Post and Telegraph Department reports that Tral line is interrupted between Chandaburi and Tral. Pak-nampho line is interrupted beyond Ayudhya. Other lines are available.

THE s.s. *Kat* with four bags of mail arrived to-day with the following passengers who have taken the round trip:—Mr. and Mrs. Grut Mr. and Mrs. Christensen, Miss Lloyd and Mr. Coultas.

THE following passengers arrived by the *Katong* this morning:—Mr. and Mrs. Gabrielsen, Mr. and Mrs. Low Kuang Piew, Messrs. J. A. Cote, W. G. Longwell. The s.s. *Liang Chow* did not bring any cabin passengers.

THE buildings that were destroyed in the great fire at Hua Lampong are being replaced by much finer structures. The rapidity with which these buildings have been erected speaks well for the energy of local builders.

THE road known as Phlab Phla Jai which suffered very badly in last year's floods is now being redrafted. The very large sewers which are now in course of being laid will doubtless prevent the road being submerged should other floods occur.

THE N. Y. K. European Hakata Maru reports that while she was on her voyage in the Mediterranean, she encountered an enemy submarine. A short fight ensued, in the course of which the enemy submarine was sent to the bottom.—Ex.

LATEST advts: The Borneo Co., Ltd. have a fresh notice to consignees. Complete change of programme at the Pathanakorn Cinema. Benjamin A. Teriera will sell a large collection of household furniture, including motor-cars and motor-cycles at the custodian's warehouse, Bang Lamphoo. The Minister of Finance advertises a notification appointing a new Liquidator for winding up certain Enemy Businesses. The Siam Auctioneering Co. will sell the household furniture and other effects of Mr. Engelhardt on Saturday next at Rang Mung Road. T. S. Apar has a notice to the Public re Auction Sales.

## Paddy Crop Report April 23, 1918.

Nasuan 1,080 coyangs at 105-165 each  
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## THE FRUIT SEASON.

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## "Commencement of Ploughing."

The ceremony of the "Commencement of Ploughing" signalling the beginning of seed time, took place this morning at Phya Thai.

His Excellency Chao Phya Yomraj, His Majesty's deputy for this year arrived at 9.45 a.m. from the Dusit Palace. After the Brahminical rites, His Excellency picked up a *pa nung* haphazard according to old-established custom and when it was worn it happened to be 6 *kurp* long, signifying that there would not be an abundance of rain this year.

Two bulls were then yoked to the plough and the turning up of the soil and the sowing of the seed commenced. After this the bulls were unyoked and taken to pasture of different kinds of food and drink which were placed before them. The animals, however, ate out of the basket containing grass. This augurs that there will only be medium prosperity with regard to fish, vegetables and fruits during this year. The ceremony was over by 10.30 o'clock.

## Armed Robbery at Bangkok Noi.

### Siamese Official Wounded.

A daring gang robbery was committed last night at Klong Bangkok Noi, not very far from the Bangkok Noi Railway Station.

It appears that a gang of thieves carrying firearms, axes and swords attacked the house of Phya Voraphut Phokai on Klong Bangkok Noi and effected an entrance by breaking open a door.

Phya Visith Barnakorn, of the Ministry of Ways and Communications who is an inmate of the house was attacked by the robbers and badly cut with knives about the face and body. He is now under medical treatment in the police hospital.

Phya Voraphut himself was fired at by one of the men with a Browning pistol but fortunately the bullet went wide.

It is reported that about six shots were fired in all.

On the arrival of the robbers a servant in this house was sent to fetch the police from the Sawakone police station which is situated less than a quarter of a mile from the house, but when they put in an appearance the thieves had made good their escape with about Tg. 1,000 in cash.

## Free Education.

The Ministry of Public Instruction has now started a new scheme for bringing elementary education within the reach of certain classes of boys who would otherwise be without its benefits, through the poverty of their parents and guardians. Three schools, namely, the Arts and Crafts, Wat Sathat and Wat Chakkravart, will now receive boys of any age and will provide them with books and other necessary material free of cost. The boys will be subject to no sartorial regulations, the sole thing required being that they keep themselves clean and decent. Applications for free education will be received by the masters in charge of any of the three schools mentioned, in whom discretionary powers are vested as to the admission of the boys and to discover whether the parents and guardians are really able to pay school fees or not.

## An Undisguised Robber.

London, April 15.—Representative Americans touring Great Britain took luncheon at the House of Commons. The visitors declared that United States labour was pledged to support the allied cause until Germany is beaten to her knees.

Mr. Balfour said that the Central Powers now admitted that the Reichstag's famous resolution foregoing war indemnities and conceding the right of self-determination was merely camouflage. Germany now stood forth undisguised as a great robber state. Her object was to make France, England and America second class powers and bedevil the world as a Colossus, but he was confident that this would prove another of Germany's profound miscalculations.

Paris, April 16.—A Zurich telegram says that the explosion at Friedrichshafen on the 13th destroyed the sheds used for the construction of Gothas and Zeppelins. The damage was enormous. Two Zeppelins and forty giant aeroplanes were destroyed; 150 men were killed and 200 injured. Incendiaries are suspected. A great panic occurred in the district.

## THE Great War.

### The Great Battle.

(Havas Telegram.)

Paris, April 22.

Artillerying continues active on various points of the front.

The English repulsed a strong attack in the region of Albert and improved their positions in the sectors of Albert, Robecq and Tilers-Bretonneux.

They succeeded in numerous raids in the region of Lens, taking prisoners.

There is active reciprocal artillerying on various sectors of the front.

(REUTER'S TELEGRAM.)

London, April 22.

Field Marshal Haig reports:—There was local fighting to our advantage this morning in the neighbourhood of Robecq.

We ejected the enemy from some advanced posts.

There is considerable hostile artillery activity in this area.

(REUTER'S TELEGRAM.)

London, April 23.

Field Marshal Haig reports:—There was a strong local attack accompanied by heavy shelling yesterday against our positions in the neighbourhood of Meenil and northward of Albert.

After sharp fighting, during which the enemy captured an advanced post, the attack was repulsed.

We improved our positions slightly during the night-time at Villers-Bretonneux, and in the sectors of Albert and Robecq.

## Italian Ministers in Paris.

(REUTER'S TELEGRAM.)

London, April 22.

Paris:—Signor Orlando and Signor Bianchi, Italian Minister of Transport, have arrived from Rome.

## Conscription in Ireland.

(REUTER'S TELEGRAM.)

London, April 22.

The police have removed all arms and ammunition from Irish gunsmiths.

Masses of intercession are being celebrated to avert conscription.

(REUTER'S TELEGRAM.)

London, April 23.

The Catholic clergy throughout Ireland yesterday preached condemning conscription. The priests in many cases afterwards administered an anti-conscription pledge to huge crowds.

The military have taken over the principal Irish railways, post-offices and telephone exchanges.

## The Paris Bombardment.

(REUTER'S TELEGRAM.)

London, April 22.

Paris:—Up to the present 118 have been killed and 236 injured by the long-range bombardment of Paris.

## The War Committee.

(REUTER'S TELEGRAM.)

London, April 22.

Paris:—The inter-Allied War Committee at Versailles now consists of General Belin (France) president; General Sackville-West (Britain); General Nobilani (Italy) and General Bliss (United States).

## Coercing the Netherlands.

(REUTER'S TELEGRAM.)

London, April 23.

The Daily Telegraph of Rotterdam says that certain demands have already been made or are about to be made by Germany which, if pressed, would force the Netherlands to take one side or other to the War.

## Earthquake in California.

(REUTER'S TELEGRAM.)

London, April 23.

Los Angeles.—An earthquake has occurred in southern California and a portion of western Arizona. Two towns were wrecked besides much minor damage being done.

## Flanders Struggle Increasing.

London, April 16.—Reuter's correspondent at headquarters says:—Since last evening the Germans have been attacking heavily at various parts in the northern battle area and have gained some ground. Their most important advance is the occupation of Baillieu. Following their re-entry into Neuve Eglise, they maintained steadily increasing pressure along the front practically all the way between Neuve Eglise and Meteren. Towards evening, under cover of a tremendous bombardment, the infantry advanced in the usual dense waves. Our troops fought stubbornly, but overwhelming numbers forced them to yield ground.

Desperate fighting continued all night. Our artillery shelled the enemy continuously. It is certain that his attempt to advance towards the ridge system will be strenuously contested. His gains hitherto have all been in the dead levels of Flanders and although it is futile to pretend that his success is not a matter for much concern, yet it has brought him the smallest tactical advantage proportionate to its extent. Baillieu stands astride what was an important artery of communication with places not occupied by the Germans.

We slightly receded, after desperate fighting, as the result of an attempt by three German divisions to force our positions at Crucifix Corner. There was considerable hostile infantry movement all day along the La Bassée Estaires road. Our low flying aeroplanes incessantly skinned the marching columns, inflicting heavy casualties by bombing and machine-gunning. South of the Somme, the enemy's artillery was slightly more active. It is reported that enemy infantry is concentrating south of the Bois de Haingard.

London, April 16.—Field Marshal Haig says the enemy last evening, launched a very heavy attack preceded by intense bombardment between Baillieu and Neuve Eglise. Three picked German divisions not previously engaged in the battle delivered the assault and after a fierce and bitter struggle carried the high ground southeast and east of Baillieu, known as Mont de Lillo and the Ravelsberg. We have fallen back to new positions north of Baillieu and Wulverghem. Baillieu fell into the enemy's hands. Fresh German attacks are developing this morning in the neighbourhood of Wytschaete. We repulsed an attack under cover of heavy artillery and trench mortar fire southwest of Vieux Berquin and took prisoners and were successful in a minor enterprise southeast of Robecq.

London, April 17.—Haig: There was severe fighting to-day from Meteren to Wytschaete. The enemy renewed attacks in strength at dawn in the neighbourhood of Wytschaete and Spranbroekdoolen. Supported by a heavy bombardment he approached our positions under cover of the mist. After a prolonged struggle he gained both localities. He also got a footing in Meteren where fighting continues. Attacks on the other parts of this front were repulsed.

The enemy this morning delivered a strong local attack on our positions opposite Boyelles southward of Arras. Fighting continues. Hostile artillery fire was more active southward of Albert. In the neighbourhood of la Bassée canal our artillery dispersed infantry in the vicinity near Locon. Mutual artillery fire increased at Passchendaele.

Aviation: The weather was unfavourable yesterday only permitting low altitude flights. We dropped over four tons of bombs on different targets and secured a direct hit with a heavy bomb on a large infantry column. No

German aircraft were encountered. One of ours is missing.

London, April 16.—The Press Bureau says that in a special order of the day Haig notified that he had telegraphed to Field Marshal French. "Your kind message has given the greatest pleasure to all your old comrades. Please accept our grateful thanks. The same spirit that carried your army through 1914 sustains us all again to-day against overwhelming odds."

London, April 16.—Field Marshal Haig in his supplementary despatch says the German General Staff order dealing particularly with the Givenchy area was distributed to all officers and under-officers of the Fourth Essex division down to platoon commanders, presumably with a view to encouraging the troops prior to the attack and in the belief the opposition would not be very serious. If such was the expectation the enemy was most signally disappointed. The Fifty-fifth throughout the early morning of April 9 beat off all attacks in the forward zone and maintained their line intact. When later the German infantry had broken through the Portuguese on its left, the division formed a defensive flank facing northeast on the Givenchy-Festubert line to the neighbourhood of Tourret and maintained this line for six days continuous fighting.

Ottawa, April 17.—The Commons have decided on a secret sitting on Wednesday to discuss the situation on the western front. The Senators will attend.

Amsterdam, April 16.—According to the Tages Zeitung Germany has reserved for itself a lease of the Rumanian oil wells for ninety-nine years and the right of military occupation for several years.

Amsterdam, April 16.—Declarations by prominent members of the Progressive Peoples Party that the Reichstag resolution of July 1917 no longer has any force are confirmed by the Centre Party has reserved a free hand in the west. The Mittele-Zeitung says the July resolution was merely a tactical means of securing peace in the east; it is now set aside as the aim now is to gain a victorious peace by force of arms in the west.

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We favour ourselves that we have in our street (and know it—which is quite another tale) the most interesting folk in all this town of Salonika. They are not of the aristocracy. Two doctors at the lower end on the rim of civilization, a milliner, a hat-maker (whose claim to the title of hatmaker apparently rests on an elaborate sign proclaiming his trade to all and sundry, though rumour has it that a muslim shape was once seen drying on his roof); a lawyer who says he talks French and doesn't who offers us for sale priceless carpets which have never seen the light, who loves less than *roski*; a seller of miscellaneous trifles in the shape of ancient biscuits, oil, fruit, and Turkish coffee; a charcoal-seller, a surgeon in the Greek Navy, and the proprietor of an *Artepion* constitute our *haut monde*. The rest are excellent, but humble. Our neighbour on one side is a gentleman who works in a far-off engine repair-shop, somewhere by the junction station. On the other side is one of those mysterious creatures who seem to have inherited from long lines of freight-bearing ancestors the carrying capacity of an elephant with the back of a camel. Our boots are repaired by a Serb whose thread is as thick as his understanding; our clothes are

washed by an ancient dame of untold winters who lives in a "strack" in a backyard behind a backyard. We might even make a meal, though as yet we have not ventured, of vine-leaves stuffed with entails and rice cooked while you wait on the portable kitchen of a popular local restaurateur.

But we like them all, and now they probably like us. Our popularity has, indeed, been a thing of gradual growing—much augmented since the fire. At first we were not understood. We were English, but we were not "Johnny." We seemed fond of children, and yet, owing to Egyptian experience, we did not respond over-heavily to any call for "bakshish." We were not silent, but we did not appreciate noises, especially those made by gentlemen of military persuasion in the hours after midnight—and expressed our opinion thereof in round terms. We accepted salutations in the market place, but did not consider that their return warranted a special favour. We dumped one another without mercy, but objected to the bullying of animals by donkey-boys armed with nail and pointed stick. But we won through. Katespera, a tiny maiden so called because her evening greeting was misinterpreted to be her name: Colo (little Constantine), a playful, clean-cut baby from Monastir whose small sisters know no word of English but "Jesus loves me, this I know," which they duly sing every night before their rest; and Jani, teacher of Greek, ration-carrier, tea-maker, most willing and natural of ten-year-old boys—all these helped us on our way by telling their fathers and mothers of our virtues. We would talk the language ungrammatically but fluently, on all and every occasion. And then when the fire came the unsparing help of our "Jock" made the victory complete.

Moreover, we always had a gallant champion in Mr. Overthway, Demetrius I. Papademetriou (Demetrius, son of Demetrius the priest), the owner of the aforesaid *Artepion*. A link, longhaired, unshaven bachelor of obscure age, his shop is the centre of the gossip and scandal and jollity of the neighbourhood. Travelling butchers, oilmen, hawkers and scavengers, priests and housewives, servants and small boys, all know and love the quips and quarks of this strange, Boccaccian character. He is never lazy and hardly ever silent. If he is not showing loaves into his oven with a long-handled rake, changing their merits or dispraise the while, he is outside chatting with his customers, doing a little private quackery with simple or leech, playing with his animals—goats and chickens and dogs and cats and ducks and fitches. He has a quaint affection for his flock. One night one of his cats—a walking menagerie of a cat—climbed up on to a pet chair which we had placed in a

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convenient position on our tiny stoop. There are cats and cats. This was essentially one of the latter breed, so we remonstrated—whereupon we were countered with: "An old lady who has had twenty-six children deserves some consideration." In religion he is in general a fatalist. The fire left him untouched. He bought and imbibed his nightly ration of "mustika" and then ensconced himself in the street, uttering loudly and continuously: "Salonique no fish, no fish Saloneque." Yet the tradition of his birth in the manse clings on, for he believes firmly that aeroplanes are usurping the kingdom of the air, and bring punishment of storm and tempest in their wake. But with all his superstition, all his disregard of elementary laws of cleanliness, he is our friend, and all that is his is ours to have and hold at our will. He makes wordy warfare with Jim, the seller of charcoal, who has a daughter in the States, as to the right to approach as in English. To him alone is given the power to sit on our stoop. Our enemies are his enemies, our allies are his allies. For good or ill, he is ever steadfast in our support. Truly, of all the wondrous things in this our street, the love that Demetrius, son of the priest, baker of strange breads, hath for the English passeth knowledge.—An Old Salt in *The Spectator*.

#### Germans Dislike Their Own Medicine.

London, April 14.—The effectiveness of the Allied air raids in Germany is further illustrated by the fact that the Second Chamber of the Bavarian Diet passed a unanimous resolution requesting the Government to urge the Imperial authorities to try to arrange a general agreement for a cessation of hostile air raids on places outside the area of military operations. The representative of the Bavarian Government welcomed the motion and stated that the Ministry of the Interior was already communicating with the War Ministry on the subject.

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#### "Race Suicide" in France.

For half a year the French Academy of Medicine has been deliberating upon a report drawn by Professor Charles Richet on behalf of a special committee appointed to inquire into the problem of depopulation in France. No decision has as yet been announced, but it is thought probable that in one form or another, the Academy will recommend endowment of motherhood by the State.

For Professor Richet is disinclined to accept some of the more popular explanations of the falling birth rate. He is doubtful even of the common belief that the extraordinary decline in France is in any considerable measure due to the inheritance laws providing for the division of property, for whereas the fall of the birth rate has been particularly remarkable only in the late 40 years, the law to which it is so often attributed has been in force for more than a century. Moreover, it is observed in classes that have no property to bequeath, and are therefore no subject to the law in question. As to the supposition that the waning influence of the Church is an important factor, Prof. Richet points out one that though among the Bretons the birth rate is respectively high, yet it is very low in other communities no less religious. Nor does he believe that much importance can be attached to the migration from country to town, the truth being that in some districts the urban birth rate is actually higher than the rural. On one point he agrees with the great majority of observers—namely, that in France as elsewhere the decline is attributable in the main to voluntary and deliberate birth control, dictated, perhaps, by more exacting standards of social comfort and a growing disinclination among women to devote the best part of their lives to rearing children. A desire to take a large share in activities formerly monopolised by men is doubtless an important consideration, but Professor Richet believes that the expense involved in rearing children is the most important of all, the cost of a child up to the age of 15 averaging, according to his estimate, about one-sixth of the father's annual earnings. It is for this reason that he believes the State must sooner or later pay who undertake to provide for the perpetuation of the race.

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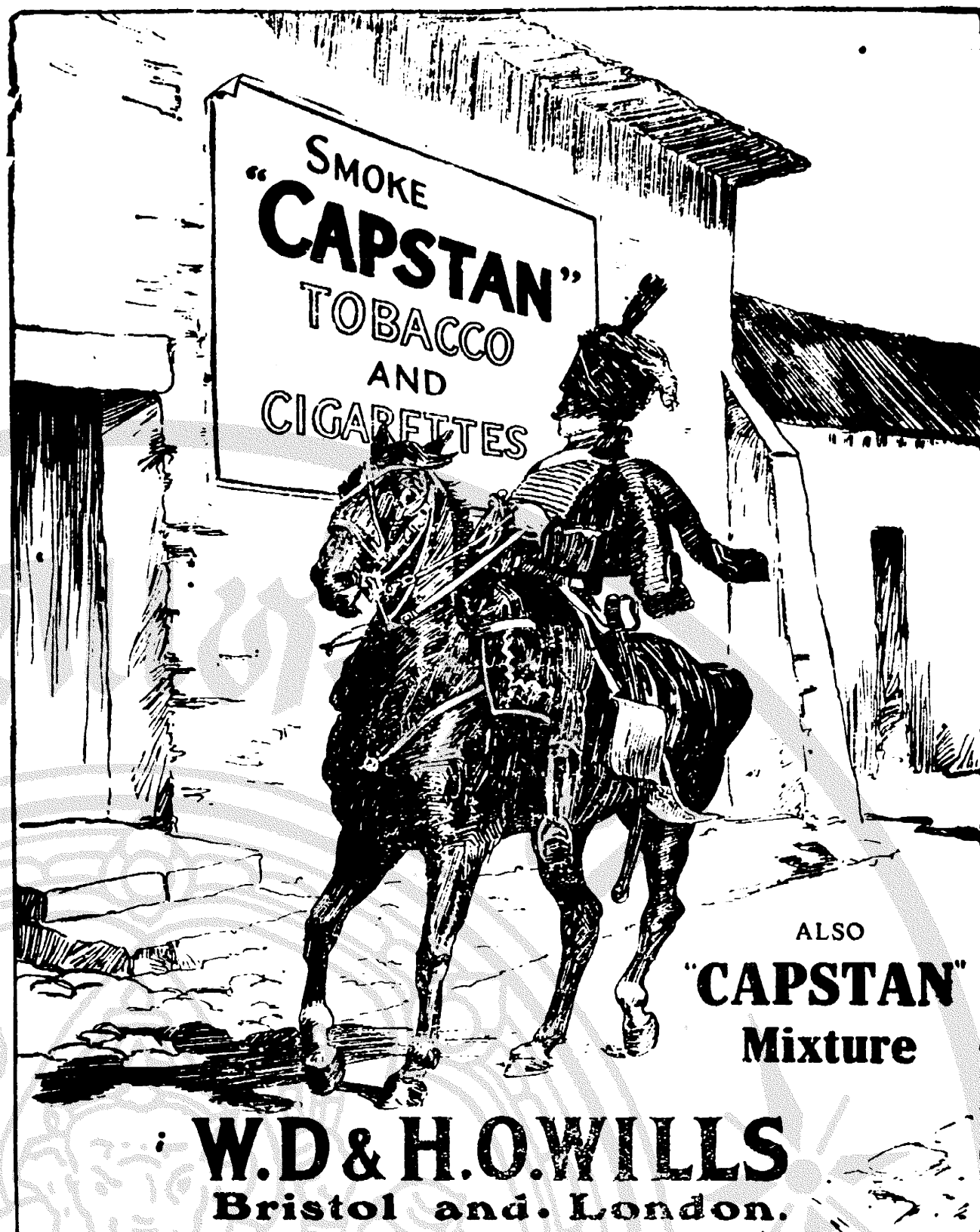
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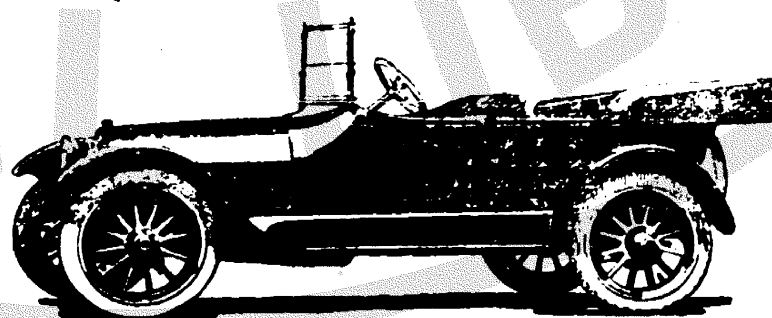
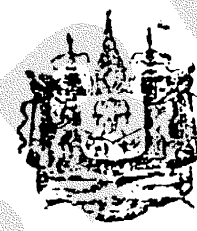
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## General Wire News.

London, April 22.—In the House of Commons replying to Sir C. Collins, Lord R. Cecil stated it did not appear that legal proceedings lay against anyone at present domiciled in the United Kingdom in connection with two consignments of opium exported from London in October and November last concealed in cargo and discovered on arrival Shanghai.

Wellington, April 16.—Parliament has passed a National Service provision authorising the Government to regulate and control all essential industries.

London, April 16.—In the House of Commons the Manpower Bill passed committee.

After speeches by Mr. Asquith, Sir E. Carson, and Mr. Devlin against the manner of application of the Bill to Ireland the Government conceded a number of points regarding tribunals. Reuter understands the Home Rule Bill is such a moderate measure that the Ulsterites notwithstanding past declarations are likely to accept it as a piece of war legislation.

Sir G. Cave announced the Government was willing to withdraw the conscription of ministers of religion.

London, April 16.—A French communiqué says: The artillery duel was very violent in region of Hangard-en-Santerre. Our artillery dispersed enemy assemblages on the outskirts of Demuin. There was lively cannonading in the sector of Avocourt.

London, April 16.—The brilliant performances of the British against overwhelming hordes of Germans continue to form the theme of correspondents' narratives. It appears that Neuve Eglise was not taken by assault but owing to artillery fire. The evacuation was preceded by some of the most desperate fighting of the war. The Germans first vainly tried their familiar enveloping tactics. They then tried to rush the place. They broke into the ruined streets and were met by small parties of Wiltshires and Worcesters. A terrible hand to hand struggle ensued in the backyards, ruined houses and cellars.

Washington, April 15.—The War Secretary's weekly review says the enemy is waging battle to achieve a victory. His sole aim today is the annihilation of the British armies; thus terrain counts for but little. If the enemy can muster more driving power he will continue his assaults. The probability of an enemy offensive in Italy as soon the weather is more favourable is increasing.

Paris, April 15.—It is now officially announced that General Foch has been appointed generalissimo of all the Allied armies in France.

The respective governments have given Foch the widest powers in order that he may act, and his actions will not be questioned. Thus an absolutely united Anglo-Franco-American army is constituted.

Monrovia, April 15.—The submarine bombardment which was begun on April 12 was resumed later. Adequate steps have been taken to protect the Liberians.

Washington, April 15.—The death has occurred of Senator Stone Chairman of the Foreign Relations committee.

Paris, April 16.—Violent fighting is still proceeding in Flanders. The British troops hold strongly with admirable valiance. Certainty still prevails that the joint efforts of the Franco-British troops, directed by a sole command, will overcome the gigantic German pressure.

By agreeing to the appointment of Foch as commander-in-chief of the Franco-British troops, Great Britain has

made a sacrifice to the common cause, thus showing a self-denial greatly to his honour. Foch is worthy of the confidence this great nation has placed in him. He is in his sixty seventh year. At l'Ecole de Guerre he was instructor in strategy and tactics and later director. He is a man of daring decision and moral courage his imaginative audacity combined with sound judgment has been proved over and over again, at battle of Mothange in Aug. 1914, before Nancy where he stopped the German rush, on the Marne where he conducted the swift offensive and threw the Prussian Guards into the marshes of Saint Gond, on the Yser where he performed miracles. In Flanders he was ubiquitous always coming up at the right moment. He held the French command on the Somme in 1916. As Chief of the General Staff he was the soul of the French army and his fine strokes of generalship on the Piave when Italy was hard pressed again revealed his brilliant qualities.

London, April 17.—Reuter's correspondent at British Headquarters wiring on the evening of April 16 says the enemy is continuing his forcing tactics employing large masses of fresh troops. Since the opening of the western offensive the enemy has thrown in 120 divisions of which many have been in twice or thrice. Since the fall of Bailleul the Germans are fighting up the Ravelberg. At present however they have advanced only a few hundred yards. The enemy this morning renewed his assaults on Wytschaete employing fresh troops.

To day's news is not as good as we could wish but I suggest the following view point: We are confronted with enormous concentrations of men and guns. The purpose of the enemy has been revealed as the separation of the Anglo-French armies and the crushing of the former. Foch in the closest agreement with Haig is aiming not only at arresting the enemy but at a counter-attack which shall defeat the

Germans, therefore, within certain limits it is sound policy to allow the Germans to spend their surplus power as lavishly as possible in order to reach a stage of equality or even inferiority.

On the other hand Foch is endeavouring to avoid the enemy obtaining a great strategic advantage and simultaneously placing a definite price upon certain places worth such and no more in defending. Thus when the price of defending Bailleul had been paid Bailleul was evacuated. Remember Lupendort has practically laid down all his cards. Foch has not yet shown his hand. From what little I know of Foch's dispositions he inspires a degree of confidence which the situation in Flanders seemingly does not justify.

Rest assured our own supreme command is watching both the enemy and our own troops with vigilance. While the enemy hopes to frustrate our plans by forcing changes by weight of numbers so far the incomparable steadfastness of our soldiers has deprived the enemy of the fruits of his schemes. The latest report is the enemy has carried Wytschaete and established himself at Spanbroekmolen. Therefore although we are upon the slopes of Messines ridge the greater part of the ridge is in enemy hands.

The enemy is attacking hard in the direction of Meuren. His situation there is obscure. From la Bassée to Robeck the Germans are vigorously shelling our line. At Boyelle south of Arras the enemy gained a footing in our trench system but a counter-attack drove him out.

London April 16.—A French communiqué says: There was fairly considerable artillery fire in the region north of Montdidier. We progressed by a minor operation in the sector of Noyon. Our reconnaissances were very active especially in the region of the Oise canal. A detachment crossed the canal west of Pierrehande and brought back prisoners.

Paris, April 16.—The news of Czernin's fall will give a rude shock to the calmness affected by Berlin and Vienna in regard to the revelations of M. Clemenceau. The minister's resignation is equivalent to an avowal of the truth of all M. Clemenceau has published, despite a new telegram which the Austrian Emperor has sent to the Kaiser saying 'the accusations levelled against me by M. Clemenceau are too vulgar for me to continue to discuss this affair with France.'

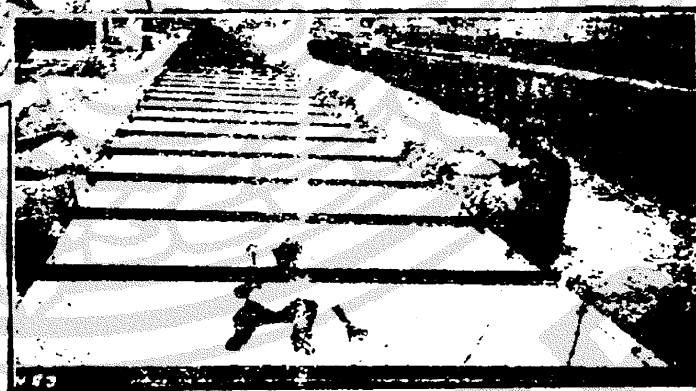
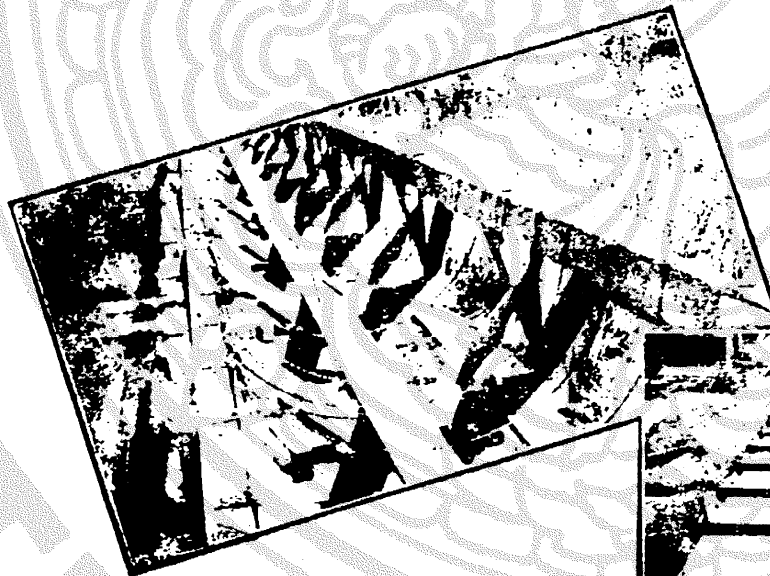
London, April 15.—The Admiralty says ten German trawlers were sunk by gunfire during a sweep in the Cattegat of April 15. The British ships saved the crews. There were no British casualties.

Amsterdam, April 16.—Thousands of families in Prague have been without bread for days.



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