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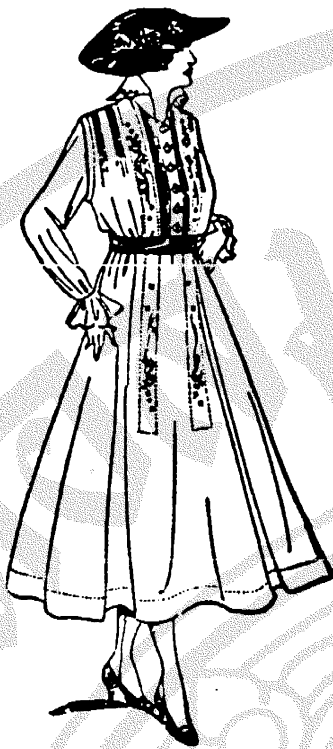
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DEPTH OF WATER ON THE
BANGKOK BAR.
FOR NOVEMBER 1917.

Nov.	A.M.		L.W.	(Approx.)
	H. W.	Ft. & In.		
1	6 00	14 4	...	...
2	7 00	14 5	1.0	6.0
3	7 00	14 10	1.0	6.0
4	8 00	14 8	1.2	6.0
5	9 00	14 7	2.3	6.7
6	10 00	14 5	2.3	6.7
7	10 00	14 1	3.4	6.7
8	11 00	14 0	4.0	7.0
9	...	...	5.0	7.0
10	...	...	5.0	7.0
11	...	...	5.0	7.8
12	2 00	11 8	7.9	7.8
13	3 00	12 3	9.10	7.8
14	4 00	13 6	9.10	7.8
15	4 30	14 4	10.12	7.8
16	6 00	15 0	...	...
17	7 00	15 6	1.0	7.0
18	7 30	15 7	1.0	7.0
19	8 30	15 4	1.2	6.7
20	9 00	15 4	2.3	6.7
21	10 00	14 9	3.4	6.7
22	...	...	4.5	6.7
23	...	...	4.5	6.7
24	...	...	5.6	6.7
25	1 00	11 0	7.8	7.8
26	2 00	12 3	...	...
27	3 00	12 11	...	...
28	4 00	13 8	...	...
29	5 00	14 7	...	...
30	6 00	15 2	...	...
31	...	...	...	...

Nov.	P.M.		L.W.	(Approx.)
	H. W.	Ft. & In.		
1	6 00	14 7	...	...
2	6 00	14 2	1.0	7.0
3	6 30	13 11	...	...
4	7 00	13 8	...	...
5	7 00	13 4	...	...
6	7 00	13 4	...	...
7	7 00	13 4	...	...
8	...	...	...	...
9	2 00	14 2	...	...
10	2 30	14 2	...	...
11	3 00	14 4	...	...
12	3 00	14 7	...	...
13	3 30	14 11	...	...
14	4 00	14 6	11.12	7.8
15	4 00	14 6	11.12	7.8
16	4 30	14 5	12.0	7.0
17	5 30	14 4	...	...
18	6 30	14 1	...	...
19	6 00	13 11	...	...
20	6 00	13 7	...	...
21	6 00	13 0	...	...
22	1 00	14 4	...	...
23	2 00	14 6	...	...
24	2 30	14 6	...	...
25	2 30	14 5	...	...
26	3 00	14 4	9.10	7.8
27	3 30	14 3	10.11	7.0
28	4 00	14 3	11.12	7.0
29	4 00	13 10	12.0	7.0
30	5 00	13 9	12.0	7.0
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PHASES OF THE MOON.

Nov. 6th (Last Quarter) 11 h 46 p.m.
" 15th New Moon 1 h 11 a.m.
" 23rd First Quarter 5 h 11 a.m.
" 30th Full Moon 1 h 23 a.m.

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General Wire News.

London, Nov. 9.—A Belgian has
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charge of coming to England for
espionage. The death sentence was
pronounced to penal servitude for life.

London, Nov. 10.—The railway ex-
ecutive is favorably considering a
scheme to permit a limited number of
winter race meetings.

Paris, Nov. 10.—As a sequel to the
Bolo Pasha scandal, the Court of Cassa-
tion has dismissed Monier, first presi-
dent of the court of appeal, which is
the maximum penalty for unprofes-
sional conduct. It was Monier who
introduced Bolo to Humbert the pro-
prietor of Le Journal.

Field Marshal Haig: Canadians
and British troops delivered this
morning's attack on over a mile
front astride the Paschendaele and
Westroesebeke road. Heavy rain com-
menced before the attack and contin-
ued all day long. Despite the weather
we further progressed northwards,
along the main ridge, prisoner a
number. On the right of the attack
the Canadians continued to advance
along the crest of the main ridge north
of Paschendaele and gained their ob-
jectives early in the morning. The
British on the left attacked along the
western shoulder of the main ridge,
overcame all obstacles, overcame the
marshy ground in the neighbourhood
of Paderbeek stream, and reached their
objectives beyond.

Heavy counter-attacks developed
later in the morning against the ground
gained by the British. The enemy
regained, after fierce and obstinate
fighting, some of the more advanced
positions.
The West Yorkshire railed north-
ward of Lens. Prisoners were captured
in hand to hand fighting and many
casualties were inflicted on the enemy.
Field Marshal Haig's report on the
Aviation is: Low flying aeroplanes at-
tacked the enemy's infantry and trans-
port. Three tons of bombs were drop-
ped on billets and aerodromes with
good results. We brought down one
and drove down five. Two of ours are
missing.

Paris, Nov. 10.—Le Temps states the
Allied supreme Council of War will
probably comprise the Premier and a
member of the War Council of each
country meeting twice monthly. It
will examine the plans of the various
staffs reporting upon the operations
carried out. The Commanders-in-
Chief will still be responsible to their
respective Governments.

The Allied Conference at Rapallo
created a supreme political council of
Allies for the whole western front
assisted by a permanent central mili-
tary committee composed of General
Foch, Sir Henry Wilson and General
Cadorna.

General Henry Huzhes Wilson,
D.S.O., C.B. is 53 years of age. He
served with the Royal Irish and the

Rifle Brigade and has seen service in
the Boer campaign, in South Africa
where he was brigade major of a light
brigade and also on Headquarters ap-
pointments. He graduated at the Staff
College and has been Director of Staff
College and Director of Military Operations
before the war. His present war ser-
vice are not available but he has seen
service at the Front and has been on
Staff appointments.

The war services of Generals Foch
and Cadorna are too recent to need
recital.

London, Nov. 9.—Official. The mem-
bers of the American mission conferred
with the Anglo-French representatives
on economic questions connected with
the blockade. There is every prospect
of complete agreement. Further con-
ferences are pending.

London, Nov. 11.—The Sunday news-
papers have enthusiastic articles on
General Wilson and declare that his
dramatic leap to the front is not un-
expected. He has been frequently con-
sulted by the Cabinet on the military
position.

Paris, Nov. 11.—M. Painleve return-
ed and presided over a cabinet meeting.
It has been decided that an inter ally
military conference shall meet at Paris.
Rio de Janeiro, Nov. 10.—The Ar-
gentine minister had a long conference
with the foreign minister, whom he in-
formed that the largest Argentine
cruiser would visit Rio de Janeiro on
the 15th as a testimony of the un-
changeable friendship of Argentina and
Brazil. The conference was most
cordial and is considered very impor-
tant from the point of view of the effect
on South American policy.

Rio de Janeiro, Nov. 10.—A decree
has been issued closing the port of Rio
de Janeiro.

London, Nov. 13.—Reuter's corre-
spondent at Egyptian headquarters con-
tinues: Following these successes
(of the Londoners) the bridgehead
was organised at Sheria which
withstood several counter-attacks.
Desultory fighting continued prac-
tically all day with heavy shelling.
The advance was resumed in the
evening the troops pushing on towards
Huj where they finally halted and
made junction with the cavalry, which
crossed behind Gaza, during this final
advance the Turkish flank guard pro-
tecting three attacks but was driven
off. The Turks established twelve
guns, including three 5.9 howitzers on
a hill south of Huj. There were also
three machine-guns slightly in rear of
the field-pieces. The Worcester and
Warwick yeomanry charged the guns
from a neighbouring hill, less than
two thousand yards away, in long
successive lines at full gallop. They
tore down one slope and up the next
in the teeth of a murderous fire from
the batteries at pointblank range. The
Yeomanry did not pause but crashed
upon the guns, the crews whereof were
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their ground to the last and were cut down.

Amsterdam, Nov. 13.—The semi-official Norddeutsche euphemistically describes the Turkish retreat in Palestine as another application of "Hindenburg parrying tactics, to which we owe so many successes in the past year." The Turks merely retreated in the direction of the main forces at Damascus.

London, Nov. 12.—In the House of Commons Mr. King suggested that in order to strengthen the financial position, gold should be withdrawn from Malta.

Mr. Hewins replied that the matter was primarily one for consideration by the Treasury.

London, Nov. 12.—The Liverpool Journal of Commerce says it is rumoured that one of the largest ship owning combines contemplates an amalgamation with one of the largest colliery companies in South Wales. Such a combination would be the largest of its kind in the world and would have control of over a million tons of shipping and six million tons of the best steamer bituminous coal.

London, Nov. 12.—In the House of Commons replying to Mr. Lonsdale, Sir A. Stanley announced that he was introducing a bill dealing with non-ferrous metal industries which, he trusted, would prevent German companies from obtaining control of the metals of the United Kingdom after the war. The question of corresponding legislation in the Dominions was a matter for the Dominion Government.

London, Nov. 12.—In the House of Commons replying to Mr. Trevelyan, Mr. Balfour stated that the Government was not aware of any peace proposals by Germany to France. Alleged German advances made through irregular channels to those French statesmen who were not members of the Government must be dealt with in France and there was no earthly difficulty in the Germans making peace proposals if they wished.

London, Nov. 12.—The most remarkable demonstration of working class patriotism was given by the South Wales miners, whose ballot on the question of a strike if the Government combated on the miners for the army, resulted in a majority of nearly four to one against the strike, despite the fact that three out of every five votes were militarily eligible.

Madrid, Nov. 11.—Following a recent pacifist meeting the mob wrecked the Independent Labour office near Consett and set fire to them. The

flames were extinguished.

Reuter's correspondent at headquarters wiring on Saturday, says that the enemy has been offering considerable resistance and the fighting has been of the closest character. We reached our objectives on nearly the whole front and exceeded them in some places. The exceptions were a few strong points on the left flank, where violent counter-attacks caused us to fall back. Troops were sent to clear up the position there.

Enemy aircraft has been very active in reconnoitering. The Germans are obviously apprehensive of our intentions in the neighbourhood of Gheluvelt.

London, Nov. 13.—Reuter's correspondent at Egyptian Headquarters (Nov. 11th) says that the performance of the Londoners in the capture of Beersheba is a story of heroism, endurance, suffering and conquest. It was the youngsters baptism of real fighting, yet throughout the period described, not a single man fell not excepting as a casualty. They first distinguished themselves by taking hill 1070, the key of the whole position, but in taking Beersheba from three in the morning of the 6th to four o'clock on the 8th, the Londoners fought and advanced without a single break for sixty-one hours. They stormed four important positions, repulsed counter-attacks, and thrice defeated and drove off flank-guards. They captured six hundred prisoners and immense booty.

The first objective was the Kanawak system, an elaborate and formidable series of trenches and redoubts. The Londoners nonstop rush went through to Rashedi system, which was carried entirely by noon, a certain number of Irish participating therein. The Londoners thereafter captured Sheria station by sundown and proceeded at dawn to attack the hill beyond. The enemy clung on desperately but were driven out at the point of the bayonet after a remarkable gallant charge. Four of the enemy fieldguns remained firing till an officer with volunteers charged and captured the guns.

Reuter's correspondent at Egyptian headquarters (Nov. 11) says that before the troops reached Wady Sukari the enemy made a brief stand on the ridge north of Belt Buras checking the cavalry, but the Scottish dislodged them by a bayonet charge. The Australian booty is important and included a number of long range Austrian guns which were trouble some at Gaza. The Turkish losses in the present operation are estimated at 12,000 including prisoners and wounded.

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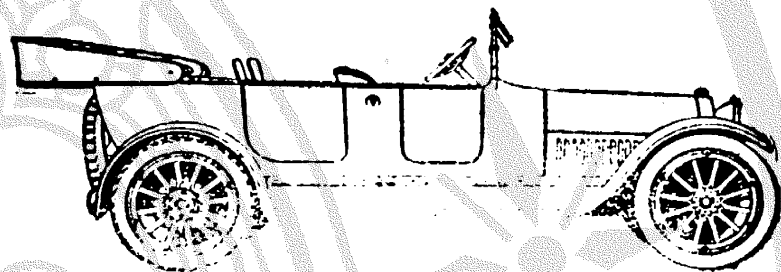
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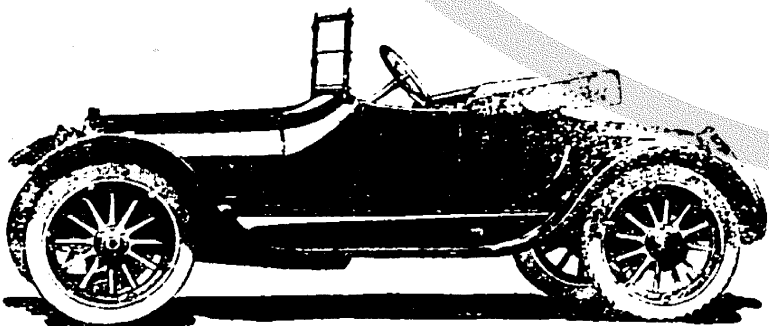
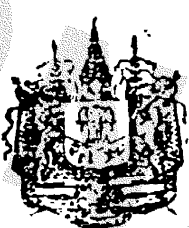
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THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 22, 1917.

WHY BULGARIA JOINED GERMANY.

There have recently been published two remarkable statements which throw much light on the reasons that induced Bulgaria to join herself to the Central Powers. The first was made by M. Stephan Panaroff to a Press representative at Washington. He says that Bulgaria entered the war with the sole purpose of regaining possession of the Dobrudja and the Macedonian parts of Serbia which had been wrested from her in the Balkan War and by the treaty made in 1870. He says that Bulgaria has no special admiration for the Central Powers and as the price of her entry on their side asked the restoration of her former territories. Bulgaria, he declares, would have preferred to come in on the side of the Allies but the latter could not make a definite promise regarding the restoration of territory. Had the Allies been able to do so, within one day of the acceptance of the terms the Bulgarian army would have been able to march on Constantinople, in which case the whole course of the war might have been changed. On the other hand the offer of Germany was unqualified and Bulgaria forthwith joined the Central Powers thus proving that she was not forced into taking this step but that she did it deliberately to obtain possession of her neighbours' territory. M. Panaroff says that now Bulgaria has obtained what she desired she is ready for peace for she has no interest in Germany's schemes in Mittel-Europa. "We are holding what we have won," says he, "and are not participating in the war except against Serbia and Romania." The second statement referred to was published lately in the *New Zurich Gazette* and is even more frank than that of M. Panaroff. A translation of this statement is as follows:—"We went into the war after getting definite assurances that our rights would be attended to in case of victory. We have in our diplomatic portfolio very valuable agreements without which we should not have made war; otherwise we should have given the war a very different turn. What Germany's war aims are does not concern us a jot, but our concern is that Germany will not agree to any alteration in our present frontier to the advantage of Turkey. Constantinople should remember that her proper sphere of expansion is Asia, not in our direction. What Turkey has done calls for no gratitude from us. We want to keep the whole of the Dobrudja and south Macedonia including the towns of Kavalla, Seres and Drama, which we promised to restore, it is true, but to Constantine, not to 'Venizelos.' The statement concludes by confessing that success has whetted Bulgaria's appetite for the territory of her neighbours although it is quite definite in saying that Bulgaria is in no way bound to Germany or to German interests.

The Flood Relief Fund.

We learn that the French Minister has raised a subscription of Tcs. 2,000 among the French community for the benefit of the Flood Relief Fund.

This sum was submitted to His Majesty the King who was graciously pleased to accept the same with the Royal expression of thanks and high appreciation of the spirit in which it was offered.

We learn that the East Asiatic Co. Ltd. have sent to the Royal Commissioners the sum of Tcs. 5,000 for the relief of the sufferers from the floods.

We understand that the Italian Legation has opened a subscription amongst the Italian Community in aid of the sufferers by the recent floods.

LOCAL AND GENERAL

The Post and Telegraph Department reports that all lines are in good order.

The s.s. *Kual* will leave from the Borneo Company's wharf at 11 a.m. sharp, on Friday the 23rd inst., and should arrive in Singapore on Monday about 8 o'clock, a.m.

The Singapore Diocesan Magazine for this month, in addition to much other interesting matter, contains an entertaining account of the trip to Kelantan made in the month of August by the Revd. and Mrs. Simmons of St. Mary's Mission.

The Return showing the number of cases of communicable diseases which have been reported as occurring in the City of Bangkok during the week ended the 17th November, gives five cases of holoemic plague. Two ended fatally of which one was an imported case.

ACCORDING to the statement made to the "Telegraph's" Rotterdam correspondent by a neutral who has been visiting Germany, human hair is being used for the manufacture of driving bands. Many girls are to be seen wearing red caps bearing the words, "I gave my hair to the Fatherland."

A BERLIN telegram states that Admiral Southey, the Commander-in-Chief of the Mediterranean Division of the German fleet, who for nearly four years has commanded the German, and, during the war, also the Turkish naval forces in the Mediterranean, has been recalled. He will be given another appointment.

The Osaka Mainichi says that manufacturers of matches in Osaka, Kobe and other districts are now busy filling orders from Great Britain, France, Russia and other countries. Before the war, Japanese matches abroad were overshadowed by Swedish matches, but upon the opening of hostilities the supply of Swedish matches was considerably lessened. The result was the shipment of Japanese matches to Australia, the United States, and various European countries.

AMONG the twenty-four German officers who escaped during the night of the 24th Sept. from Sutton Bonington Camp, Nottingham, was Captain von Muller, of the notorious Emden. School children found him when they were black-berrying in Tollerton Woods, six miles from the camp and four from Nottingham, and they raised the alarm, to which to police responded. It is said that von Muller three times attempted to escape. He had a compass, some money, and enough food for forty-eight hours in a big kit bag slung on the shoulders. He was wearing muffs.

SINCE the conquest of Wallachia last year, little has been heard of General von Falkenhayn, the late Chief of the German Staff, then entrusted with the operations of the Army groups fighting against Rumania. The *Wellspeigel* contains a representation of a review of troops in Jerusalem where General von Falkenhayn, together with the Turkish General, Djemal Pasha, is inspecting the "crack" company of the German motor detachment. It would thus appear that von Falkenhayn is assisting in the leadership of the Turkish forces, probably in the defence of the Sinai front.

THE "China Press" (Shanghai) says:—Hope for the Nippon Yusen Kaisha liner *Hitchi Maru* is even darkened by further reports received at the Yokohama office of the company. The Bombay branch of the company telegraphed Sunday that all inquiries that branch office had made of the British authorities in India have failed to bring any news about the missing steamer. On the same day the company's London branch reported that all the inquiries and searches by the British navy and the Lloyd Insurance Company in all directions also failed to obtain any news of the fate of the N. Y. K. liner, which is now therefore supposed to have been sent to the bottom by an enemy submarine.

A FRENCH journalist, Dr. Waltz, returned from Petrograd, publishes an interview with the Foreign Minister, M. Tserachenko, by whom he was authorised to state that the Provisional Government fully approved of the complete independence of Poland. To realise, however, Poland's economic independence access to the sea was imperative, and this could not be granted in Lithuania, which province must remain within the boundaries of the Russian Republic. Lithuania, M. Tserachenko declared, just as all other territories in Russia inhabited by different nationalities, would receive the most far-reaching autonomy, especially regarding language, religion, schools, administration, and extensive rights of decision in local matters. There must, however, only be one central Duma for the whole Republic. Finland, he said, requires quite a special regime. Dr. Waltz gained the impression from conversations with leading Russian statesmen that the Government intended to effect an amicable agreement with the Finnish Senate.

London, Nov. 13.—Lord Northcliffe and other members of the British mission to the United States have returned to London.

THE Great War.

British Report.

(REUTERS TELEGRAM.)

London, Nov. 21. Sir Douglas Haig reports:—The Oxford-bire and Buckinghamshires successfully raided eastward of Fampoux. We drove out raiders eastward of Wychaete.

Italian Report.

(REUTERS TELEGRAM.)

London, Nov. 21. Italian Official: We drove back four masked attacks against the Montenera spur. We took prisoner three hundred on Sunday and Monday in the Mlette region.

Palestine.

(REUTERS TELEGRAM.)

London, Nov. 21. Palestine Official:—Our mounted troops occupied on Sunday Beit Sertabta, twelve miles northwest of Jerusalem. Our infantry yesterday reached a line fifteen miles westward of Jerusalem.

The French Chamber.

(Havas Telegram.)

Paris, Nov. 21. The Chamber has voted by 418 to 65 in order of the day of confidence in the Government, relying on the energy and the watchfulness of the Government to conduct the war vigorously and to punish traitors to the fatherland.

Successful Incursions.

(Havas Telegram.)

Paris, Nov. 21. Incursions into the St. Quentin region have met with success.

Great English Success.

(Havas Telegram.)

Paris, Nov. 21. The English have obtained a great success between St. Quentin and the Scarpe and have taken a number of villages and a considerable amount of material as well as several thousand prisoners.

Fate Of Finland.

Helsingfors News.

Stockholm, Nov. 16.—Newspaper reports are that the Germans have landed at Helsingfors.

Copenhagen, Nov. 10.—A private wire from Uleaborg received at Stockholm says that German troops have landed on Aaland and occupied most of the islands.

Petrograd, Nov. 9.—A telegram from Helsingfors says the delegates of the Baltic fleet and the army committee have passed a resolution adhering to the Petrograd Solid and the revolutionary committee which they are ready to support to the utmost. The revolutionary committee at Revel has occupied all the important strategic points.

A telegram from Kazan says the commander of the troops, General Arshipoff, has been arrested. The military cadets and armoured cars surrendered.

Petrograd, Nov. 10.—A meeting of allied representatives at the British Embassy discussed the question of ensuring the safety of allied residents.

The Telegraph Agency states M. Kerensky on Nov. 7 at Gatchina addressed six thousand soldiers from the front going to Petrograd after which the soldiers decided not to proceed to Petrograd. The Agency also states Ministers will be charged with complicity in the Korniloff affair.

German View.

Amsterdam, Nov. 9.—The German press is deeply interested in the events in Russia. The Tagblatt says if power really passes to the Bolsheviks, otherwise the extremists, the consequences are incalculable.

The Vossisch Zeitung says as the Maximalists desire peace without annexations their advent to power will not affect our policy towards Russia. The Lokal Anzeiger says we can look on events in Russia with equanimity.

And French

Paris, Nov. 9.—The Echo de Paris says despite traitors Russia will recover and return to her Alliance with her allies. Le Matin says probably a powerful reaction will follow the present crisis.

Why Kerensky Failed.

(“S. O.” SPECIAL CORRESPONDENT) Singapore, Nov. 21.

Reuter's Correspondent in Petrograd says that Kerensky's failure was due to indecision and reliance chiefly on words. He was constitutionally unable to face facts, preferring to pander to the weakness of the mob.

When the Maximalists attacked Petrograd caleters resisted pluckily, but they were mercilessly slain and their bodies were thrown into the canal.

England and Holland.

(“S. O.” SPECIAL CORRESPONDENT) Singapore, Nov. 21.

The transit of German sand and gravel via Holland has temporarily ceased, otherwise the situation is unmodified.

The newspaper Tyd is of opinion that the British geological survey regarding pill boxes has greatly strengthened the allegations. Moreover, Holland made an imprudent concession in permitting the Germans to store winter stocks.

The Views of Tirpitz.

Amsterdam, Nov. 12.—Speaking at Munich, Admiral Tirpitz declared the question whether Germany or Britain was to become the protector of Belgium would be decisive for the issue of the war and for the German future. A mistaken solution of the Belgian problem would stunt Germany's exports and degrade the German position to that of a bond slave of Anglo-America. Germany's military security lay in Belgium. This was the only way to secure compensation for her enormous economic losses. Paper treaties would safeguard nothing. Germany could force Britain to recognise her protectorate in Belgium as she could hold our longer.

Cotton, Tea, Silver.

London, Nov. 13.—Two hundred thousand cottonweavers are applying for a 10 per cent. advance of wages. Owing to shortage of freight the Cotton Control Board has decided to reduce the spindleage on American cotton to sixty per cent. from Nov. 19 except in the case of firms having written instructions from the Government. The order does not apply to Egyptian or Australian cotton supplies.

Over 14 million pounds of tea were available at the sales this week equivalent to 64 days' civil requirements in the United Kingdom. Five million will be available next week so the retail scarcity should quickly be relieved, but owing to uncertainty of the future brokers emphasise that strict economy is still necessary. A total of 15,255 packages were offered at the Indian tea sales yesterday, the highest amount at one sale since the control scheme. Practically the whole was sold at maximum prices.

London, Nov. 12.—The silver market is steady.

London, Nov. 8.—Silver is at 43½d. The market is dull.

London, Nov. 9.—The silver market is quietly steady.

Montagu's silver report says a certain amount of metal is offered daily. The tone of the market is heavy so buyers are shy. China exchange has also a weak tendency. The net imports of silver to India in July were 6,406,825 ounces, April to July inclusive 33,702,629 of which the Indian Government was responsible for 31,552,487 which could be minted into 890 lakhs.

London, Nov. 10.—The silver market is better. China exchange is steady.

Philatelists' New Curio.

A mistake by the United States Government in printing its sheets of two-cent stamps has given wide-awake dealers an opportunity to indulge in the liveliest speculation in current stamps that has been known for several years. It is the first time, since the American Government began issuing adhesive postage stamps in 1847, that an actual error in value has been made. On one of the plates of the red two-cent stamps there are three stamps bearing the numeral “5” on each side of the word “cents,” instead of “2.” When the error was discovered the Post Office Department recalled all the copies, but a large number of them got out, and the collectors of United States stamps have been making great efforts to get them. The error plate contains four sheets of 10 stamps each. One of these sheets is one error and another sheet contains two errors. When the mistake was first discovered, and it was believed few sheets had been sold, a few of the complete sheets, with the errors, sold for \$200 and more apiece. It is estimated that 50,000 plates were printed with the errors. There has been a steady fall in price, and recently a dealer sold a few copies at auction, the first time they have been offered at public sale. A single error brought \$7.10, while copies of the two errors, which are connected in the double-error sheet, went for \$11.60. A complete sheet of the single error went for \$7.50.

Spirit of Freedom.

Wilson on Germany.

Washington, Nov. 13.—In the continuation of his speech President Wilson referring to Germany said: I believe that the spirit of freedom can get into the hearts of the Germans and find as fine a welcome there as it can find in any other heart but the spirit of freedom does not suit the plans of the German. You know how many intimations come to us from one of the Central Powers which is more anxious for peace than the chief Central Power, and you know it means that the people of that Central Power know that if the war ends as it stands they will in effect themselves be vassals to Germany. Any body of free men that comes into contact with the German Government compounds for its own destruction. Taking up labour questions in the United States the President said: We must stand together night and day until the war is over, adding that while we are fighting for freedom we must ensure freedom for labour. President Wilson denounced Germany for attempting to control international competition, declaring that the methods of German manufacturers and exporters under the patronage and support of their Government were the same sort of competition that the United States had tried to prevent by law within its borders. Behind the German subsidy system lay controlled in a large measure in Germany herself but this did not satisfy the German Government. All the while her thoughts were on political control which would enable Germany in the long run to dominate the labour industry of the world. The Berlin-Bagdad railroad was constructed in order to run a threat of force down the flank of industrial undertakings of half a dozen other countries so that when German competition came in, it would not resist too far, because there was always a possibility of getting the German armies into the heart of those countries quicker than any other armistice could be got there.

The Premier.

London, Nov. 13.—Mr. Lloyd George has arrived with M. Venizelos in London.

London, Nov. 13.—In the House of Commons Mr. Asquith asked if Mr. Lloyd George would be present tomorrow as he wished to ask him when he would be prepared to make a statement regarding the very serious matters dealt with in his speech at Paris.

Mr. Bonar Law replied that Mr. Lloyd George would be present tomorrow.

Viennese Movement.

Amsterdam, Nov. 13.—A demonstration of fifty thousand socialists at Vienna passed a resolution opining that the war could be ended if the Austro-Germans disavowed a desire for territorial acquisitions and assured the complete independence of Belgium.

The German Ideal.

Rome, Nov. 13.—It is reported from the front the Germans are trying prisoners men, women and children, in line between them and the Italian army, hoping to prevent the latter attacking. Most horrifying scenes have been witnessed, the Germans robbing other soldiers committed to Belgium, robbing and burning property, violating women, mutilating children and spreading terror everywhere.

China's Voice.

Washington, Nov. 13.—The Chinese minister has lodged a formal protest with the State Department against the Japan-American agreement regarding China. It is understood China objects to any agreement affecting China without reference to the wishes of the Chinese people.

They that Shall Endure.

London, Nov. 13.—An inaugural meeting has been held at the Mansion House of the movement known as “The Committee of the Great War,” the object of which is to promote the welfare of ex-soldiers and ex-sailors and their dependents. A letter from General Smuts was read expressing the hope that his organization would spring up throughout the Empire and would all be affiliated into one great band of men who, having destroyed the autocratic militarism of Germany by their valour and self-sacrifice, would foster those great ideas and be ever an example to the rising generations.

A Cairo Notice.

English as She is Spoken.

The desire to handle English gold exports has led to marvellous flights where our fighting men are to be caught. An example is afforded by the following “Highly Important Notice” which the Chief Steward says is to be seen in Cairo:—“Mohammed Bin Ali Yusuf begs announce to Nobility and Cairo Smart Set that he has opened a high class restaurant shop at No. 3, Sharia Moukash, Musk. Everything A 1 and dam cheap. Prices quite wonderful and as follows:—Roast 6 pias, Chop and Smashatoes 7 pias, Reddy polly puddin 6 pias, Butter quick 5 pias, English steak 10 pias, dressing N B.—Delectable music and dancing ladies every evening.—Ez.

The Strength of France.

In an official letter sent recently to the Under Secretary of State, Mr. Biker, M. Andre Tardieu, the French High Commissioner to the United States, vehemently denies the assertion so frequently circulating in the American newspapers that France has been “bled white.” “France,” the High Commissioner says, has 3,000,000 men at the front, an increase of a million since the war began, her reserve sources are sufficient to enable her to maintain that number up to its present level for a long time to come, and the percentage of casualties is constantly decreasing. French troops hold 382 miles on the Western front. At the beginning of the war, France had 307 heavy guns, now she has 6,000. The munitions output in August 1914 was arranged for 15,000 shots a day of 75; it is now arranged for 250,000 shots of 75 and 101, 0 of heavy guns. Besides thus providing for her own needs, France, according to Mons. Tardieu, completely re-equipped and re-armed the Belgian, Serbian and Greek Armies, and gave more than 801 heavy guns to her Allies. All this required the expenditure of more than \$16,500,000,000 in three years. . . . While American soldiers, M. Tardieu concludes, will help by dealing the last blow at the adversary, they will find in France a country which, today as well as during the last three years, bears the principal exertion of the common foe, a country which maintains to the maximum of her power, without hesitation, and without weakness, her thoughts, her means, her will. . . . This letter reproduced and commented on by all the United States newspapers, has made the greatest impression on the American people.

TELEGRAMS addressed to Netherlands Dependencies are now accepted, but acceptance does not guarantee delivery. The following are the Netherlands Dependencies which are likely to be passed: Telegrams concerning insurance on London Market. Telegrams relating to foodstuffs exported from Dutch Territory to the United Kingdom. Telegrams remitting money to the United Kingdom or applying for money to be so remitted. (M.M.)

Brazilian Rubber.

The extraordinary growth of the plantation rubber industry has naturally led to uneasiness in regard to the pre-eminence of the Para rubber. The Brazilian Government is fully alive to the imperative importance of the matter, says the Times Trade Supplement. It should, however, be said that there is a preference in certain quarters for the Para rubber, and a deep-rooted belief on the part of certain users that it is possessed of qualities which can never be rivalled by that grown on the plantation. This demand for Para rubber is certainly never likely to exceed the supply since there are still vast untapped areas available. In 1912 a commission was sent out by the Government of Para to study the methods of rubber cultivation in Ceylon and in the Malay Peninsula. The commission came to the conclusion that unless immediate measures were taken Brazilian rubber would even in 1915 begin to feel critically the effect of Eastern competition. Later in the year two French experts were commissioned by the Federal Government to report upon the conditions of rubber production in the Northern States, and upon the most suitable methods for carrying on to effect the Government's projected reform. The suggestion has been made that an immediate solution, though one is at difficult to carry out, would be the reduction, or better still the abolition, of the heavy export duties. The revenue of the Northern States is derived almost exclusively from these duties, and there are no other taxable sources from which to replenish the revenue.

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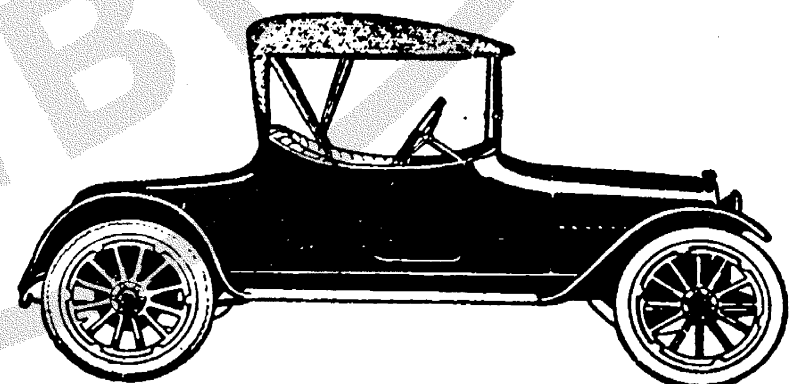
DATE 20th NOVEMBER, 1916.

Station	High-water level this year		Gauge reading at this date	Difference of level during preceding 48 hours in centimeters.		Remarks
	Date	Level		Rise	Fall	
War Dahad	Oct. 1st	0.24	1.80		31 c.m.	Total fall from highest 1.56 metres.
Sophon	Nov. 1st	1.31	Telegraphic Communication interrupted.			
Krung Kao	.. 5th	0.15 a.z.	41		5 c.m.	Total fall from highest 5 c.m.
Saraburi	Oct. 23rd	6.83	13.24		21 c.m.	Total fall from highest 6.41 metres.
Rang Sit	Nov. 5th	0.08 a.z.	.18		3 c.m.	Total fall from highest 26 c.m.
Bang Nok Kwak	.. 17th	0.00	.17		13 c.m.	
Petrow	.. 18th	.15	.28		13 c.m.	

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IN STOCK.**Siam Import Co., Ltd.****Sikak Phya Sri-City.****German Artillery
Attack.****Paschendaele Threatened.**

London, Nov. 15.—Field Marshal Haig says: Since the capture of Paschendaele great artillery activity has been directed against the village and the adjacent portions of the main ridge. After Saturday's successful attack the hostile shelling steadily increased in intensity on the whole of this important area, culminating early yesterday morning in a concentrated bombardment of great violence on our forward positions. Our artillery replied effectively but hostile shelling continued and became more intense at 4.30 p.m. and an attack it is reported this morning was launched. The enemy's infantry attempted to advance along the Westhoek road. Our artillery and infantry fire completely broke up the attack and our line is intact. We improved our line slightly in the night northwest of Paschendaele.

We brought down three aeroplanes yesterday and drove down four. All ours returned.

London, Nov. 15.—Reuter's correspondent at Headquarters wiring to-day says: An extremely violent artillery battle rages in the Paschendaele area. The enemy has been shelling for two days with the utmost violence the advanced lines of the Canadians but if the German shelling is heavy ours is heavier. Wounded Canadians speak of our artillery work with the greatest admiration and say that whenever there has been a threat of an enemy infantry attack, our barrage has settled down like a curtain so sweeping the ground that no infantry could live. Moreover under the volume of our counter battery work the German gun positions are growing more and more difficult to maintain. It is doubtful if a fiercer or more concentrated artillery duel has ever been seen on this front.

Raiders Sent Back.

London, Nov. 15.—Field Marshal Haig says we drove off raiders near Polderhoek wood north of the Menin road and north of Bixchoote. The Belgians entered the German lines last night north of Dixmude and blew up concrete shelters.

London, Nov. 15.—In the House of Commons Mr. Forster stated that since the war the British armies on all the fronts have taken 166,000 prisoners and over 800 guns of which 101,334 prisoners and 519 guns were taken on the west front since July last year. Since July 1916 the British armies in all theatres have conquered or reconquered approximately 128,000 square miles and have also taken 30,197 prisoners and

186 guns from the Turks. The returns from Palestine are still incomplete.

London, Nov. 15.—Field Marshal Haig: Early this morning the enemy heavily bombarded our positions northward of Menin road. His infantry shortly afterwards attempted to advance. Our fire successfully repulsed the attack. Another party endeavoured to approach northeast of Paschendaele but was also driven off. The hostile artillery again showed great activity in the neighbourhood of Paschendaele, and also northward and southward of that place.

French Reports.

London, Nov. 15.—French communiqué: Four enemy aeroplanes were brought down and four fell uncontrolled in our own lines. Our aeroplanes heavily bombed enemy depots and cantonments in the region of Malonne.

The German aeroplanes bombed the region of Calais on the night of Nov. 13 and there was a number of civilian victims.

London, Nov. 15.—French communiqué: There was a violent artillery duel north of Braye Laonnais and right of the Meuse.

The French Ministry.

Paris, Nov. 14.—The overthrow of the ministry was directly due to M. Painlevé's disinclination to afford a date before Nov. 30 for interpellations on the Government's internal policy, particularly with regard to the scandals as cabled earlier. This resulted in such parties as the extreme left and right joining their forces against the Government. M. Clemenceau, M. Viviani, M. Barthou and M. Pams are mentioned with regard to premiership. All newspapers lay stress on the fact that the foreign policy is not at issue.

The following is the text of M. Painlevé's reference to the extension of the British front. "Another military problem urgently demanding attention is the extension of the British front. A preliminary agreement has just been reached by the two chief commands and will be carried out at an early date, which it is inadvisable to specify. Moreover the victory on the Aisne, one of the most brilliant of the war, places some divisions at our disposal but in view of the present military developments there can be no question of removing fresh classes from the front. Germany is attempting a desperate effort with all available forces to obtain a showy victory before the end of the year. The enemy's supreme effort must be met by our supreme effort without abandoning a scrap of our military strength."

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London, Nov. 11.—Reuter's correspondent at Egyptian headquarters, November 9th, says that the pursuit on the heels of the retreating Turks continued on Friday by our cavalry beyond Askalon and el Mejdel. Owing to their hurry, the Turks were unable to remove the inhabitants, who joyously welcomed the troops. The cavalry advancing north from Sheria overtook the enemy rearguard taking prisoner a considerable number, while elsewhere a dashing charge of Yeomanry resulted in the capture of six guns, three machine guns, and a hundred prisoners. Great quantities of undamaged stores have fallen into our hands. The aviation corps continues to do good work, bombing and machine gunning trains. They report that the town of el Fatuh and the railway junction of el Tineh are in our hands.

London, Nov. 12.—Reuter's correspondent at Egyptian Headquarters wiring on November 10 says: Each day adds to the magnitude and importance of our success on this front; each hour adds to the toll of our capture while our pursuit has already carried us nearly thirty miles north of Gaza. Indeed reports have been received showing confusion, almost panic exist many miles in rear of present Turkish positions, but it is unwise to speculate upon these evidences of their sense of insecurity. The only place where the enemy showed stubbornness was at Herod's north of Wadi Hesi where they defeated six determined counter-attacks against Scottish troops, who were driven back slightly on the left but recovered the trenches shortly afterwards, the Turks being forced back after suffering considerable loss. Imperial Service cavalry also had a sharp brush after driving the enemy from Beit Anun. The latter made a desperate effort to get away a long naval gun but both crew and team were shot down and the gun captured as well as twenty-two prisoners. Although the main body of the Turks retired due north, smaller parties like a covey of partridges scattered in various directions: these are being gradually rounded up.

Amsterdam, Nov. 11.—A telegram from Gorizia relates a very narrow escape of the Austrian Emperor. Crossing a torrent his motor-car broke down. A footman and soldier carrying the monarch to the bank fell and all were swept over the weir and a considerable distance beyond. Prince Felix arriving at a most critical moment, plunged into the torrent, accompanied by his suite and eventually rescued the Emperor, who was constantly being submerged.

London, Nov. 12.—Egypt Official: The Turks are organising behind the north branch of the Wadi Sukereir southeast covering Beit Yibirin and Hahron. Our mounted troops progressed towards el Tineh. A Scottish night attack on the enemy's right flank captured machine-guns. The discovery of large quantities of war material continues.

London, Nov. 11.—Egypt Official: General Allenby's advance was continued on Saturday on the left wing in the neighbourhood of Bealud, the ancient Ashdod. The enemy's rearguard had occupied a line along the northern branch of the Wadi Huker-in. The Royal Flying Corps effectively bombed the Wadi Sorar junction, rolling stock and station building. Our mounted troops on Friday captured five 5.9 howitzers, eight field guns and 710 prisoners. As the battlefield covers 600 square miles, the list of booty is incomplete.

The Warwickshire and Worcester-shire Yeomanry on Thursday, near Huj had to face heavy gun, machine-gun and rifle fire. They charged with the greatest gallantry and dash at a large body of the enemy and captured twelve guns, killing or wounding the Austrian gunners and taking prisoner a hundred.

London, Nov. 14.—General Allenby reports the Turks attempting to take up a new position twelve miles north of Askalon were driven, after stiff fighting, five miles to the Wadi Surar

eight miles south of Jaffa. Our troops with magnificent dash captured strongly entrenched posts at Meamiyah, Katrah, Mughar. We hold the line le Tineh through Katrah, Yabna to the sea. One mounted division alone took prisoner 1,100, fourteen machine-guns and two guns.

London, Nov. 15.—Palestine Official, General Allenby reports the infantry and mounted troops continue to advance. We now hold the railway line near Nablus and Mansurah including the junction of the Beersheba-Damascus railway with the line to Jerusalem. We inflicted heavy losses on Tuesday and buried 400 at Katrah alone and took prisoner 1,500 but also with four guns and twenty machine-guns.

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200 " " " "	15

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3rd " "	"	12,500
5 Prizes each	"	2,500
50 " "	"	500
100 " "	"	250
200 " "	"	125

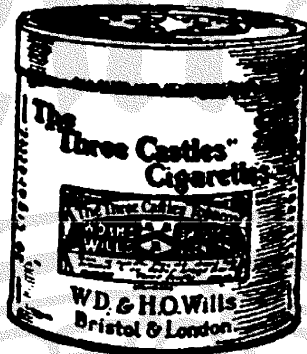
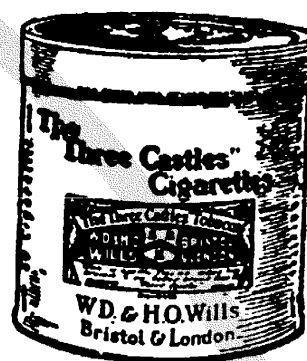
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Stations.	Train No.				Stations.	Train No.			
	1	2	3	4		1	2	3	4
	a.m.	a.m.	p.m.	p.m.		a.m.	a.m.	p.m.	p.m.
Paknam Dep.	6.30	9.30	12.45	3.45	Bangkok Dep.	7.45	10.45	2.00	5.00
*Maha Wong "	6.35	9.35	12.50	3.50	Sala Deng "	7.52	10.52	2.07	5.07
*Ban Nang Greng "	6.40	9.40	12.55	3.55	Klong Toi "	8.00	11.00	2.15	5.15
Chorakhe "	6.45	9.45	1.00	4.00	*Ban Kluei "	8.05	11.05	2.20	5.20
*Samrong "	6.50	9.50	1.05	4.05	Prakonong "	8.10	11.10	2.25	5.25
Bangna "	6.55	9.55	1.10	4.10	Bangdjak "	8.15	11.15	2.30	5.30
Bangdjak "	7.00	10.00	1.15	4.15	*Bangna "	8.20	11.20	2.35	5.35
Prakonong "	7.05	10.05	1.20	4.20	Samrong "	8.25	11.25	2.40	5.40
*Ban Kluei "	7.10	10.10	1.25	4.25	Chorakhe "	8.30	11.30	2.45	5.45
Klong Toi "	7.15	10.15	1.30	4.30	*Ban Nang Greng "	8.35	11.35	2.50	5.50
Sala Deng "	7.23	10.23	1.38	4.38	*Maha Wong "	8.40	11.40	2.55	5.55
Bangkok Arr.	7.30	10.30	1.45	4.45	Paknam Arr.	8.45	11.45	3.00	6.00

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WEDNESDAY AND SATURDAY

British Politics.

Supreme Council Scheme.

London, Nov. 15.—Political excitement has subsided as a result of Mr. Lloyd George's statement yesterday, satisfying the critics that no interference with General Robertson and Field Marshal Haig is contemplated. It is now expected that Mr. Asquith on Nov. 19 will deal rather with the Paris speech than with the Allied agreement, which it is believed has been long under consideration as a substitute for the old unwieldy inter-allied conference. Some fears have been expressed that the scheme will prove difficult to work. The Daily Chronicle declares that the draft scheme was prepared in the British Cabinet, submitted to the general staffs, approved by President Wilson, and accepted by France and afterwards Italy on the occasion of Lloyd George's visit.

Le Journal declares that General Smuts is intimately associated with the scheme, to which he attaches vital importance and he will probably accompany Mr. Lloyd George when the Council considers the general military questions or otherwise Sir Eric Geddes or Mr. Balfour will attend.

Peace Propaganda.

London, Nov. 15.—In the House of Commons Mr. Batcher asked: Are the Government taking steps to deal with propaganda in favour of a premature peace?

Sir G. Cave replied that the Government's powers have been freely used and many thousands of pacifist leaflets have been seized and destroyed. Prosecution is being ordered in some cases, but in many cases the pamphlets are not brought to the notice of the police until they have been partly distributed and frequently they do not bear the name of the printer as legally required. The penalty for this omission is inadequate, therefore it has been proposed to make a new regulation requiring every leaflet dealing with war or peace to bear the name and address of the author and printer and to be submitted to the Press Bureau. Replying to questions regarding alleged Bolshevism in Britain Sir G. Cave said that the police were investigating and obviously a description of the enquiry at present would only assist the enemy.

Man Power.

London, Nov. 15.—Sir Auckland Geddes in London describing his manpower plan, said that the recruiting for the army ought to be carried out on the basis of occupation not of age. The internal luxury trades will be the most heavily drawn upon. It was nonsense to take skilled young men from aeroplane factories, ship-building

and engineering or transportation. The war was going to call for the utmost energy of which the people are capable. There will be no margin at all and our effort this autumn must be unprecedented. "We at present are cataloguing everyone in the country."

Air Force Bill.

London, Nov. 15.—In the House of Commons the Air Force Bill was submitted and Major Baird declined to limit the council to nine, on the ground of the Imperial importance of aviation after the war, as it may then be desirable to have additional members from the Dominions.

Imperial Conference.

London, Nov. 15.—In the House of Commons Mr. Norton Griffiths said: In view of the fact that so many changes had occurred in the aspect of the war since the last Imperial Conference, will the Prime Minister consider the advisability of summoning a conference to take place during the next three months.

Mr. Bonar Law said that the suggestion was impracticable owing to the

difficulties of the Prime Ministers getting there, but the Government fully realise the importance of keeping in the closest touch with the Dominions and they will be guided thereby in deciding the time for the next conference.

In the House of Commons, Mr. King asked: Does the United States recognition that Japan has a special interest in China imply that Japan's right to concessions and commercial interests in China is superior that of other Allies? If so, has Britain recognised the special interest of Japan in China?

Mr. Balfour replied: It is not the function of the British Government to interpret what is implied or unimplied in agreements signed by friendly foreign powers. Regarding the last part of the question, there has been no recent change in the attitude of the British Government.

Scholarship Funds.

London, Nov. 15.—Reuter learns that a proposal has been submitted to the Dominion Governments regarding the provision of scholarships for selected disabled naval and military officers and men from the Dominions and

colonies can be afforded facilities to undergo a special one year course of study at the universities and schools of technology before returning to their home.

The Rhodes trustees meanwhile are generously providing a number of such scholarships.

The executive committee of the Kitchener National Memorial Fund is also prepared to finance twenty scholarships which it is estimated will require £150 to £250 amply covering all expenses including tuition and living costs.

Scholarship nominations have been placed at the disposal of the Dominion authorities and Crown Agents for the Colonies and some scholars are already in residence at Oxford and Cambridge, Militant Northcliffe.

London, Nov. 16.—Lord Northcliffe has sent a letter to Mr. Lloyd George, declining an invitation to take charge of the new air ministry. He says, returning from the virile atmosphere of the United States and Canada, he finds holding office those who are dallying with the most urgent questions like

unity of war control, eradication of ration, mobilisation of man power, and compulsory rationing. He finds that the censorship is being mis-used. He finds men in various positions of authority who should have been punished, but have been retained; some even elevated. On the other hand he pays tribute to the splendid spirit of the people of Britain; to the army as the most efficient in the world; to Haig as one of the greatest generals. He mentions that his mission to the United States comprised five hundred officials with ten thousand assistants, whose work should be better known. Unless there is swift improvement in our methods, the United States will take into its own hands the entire management of a great part of the war.

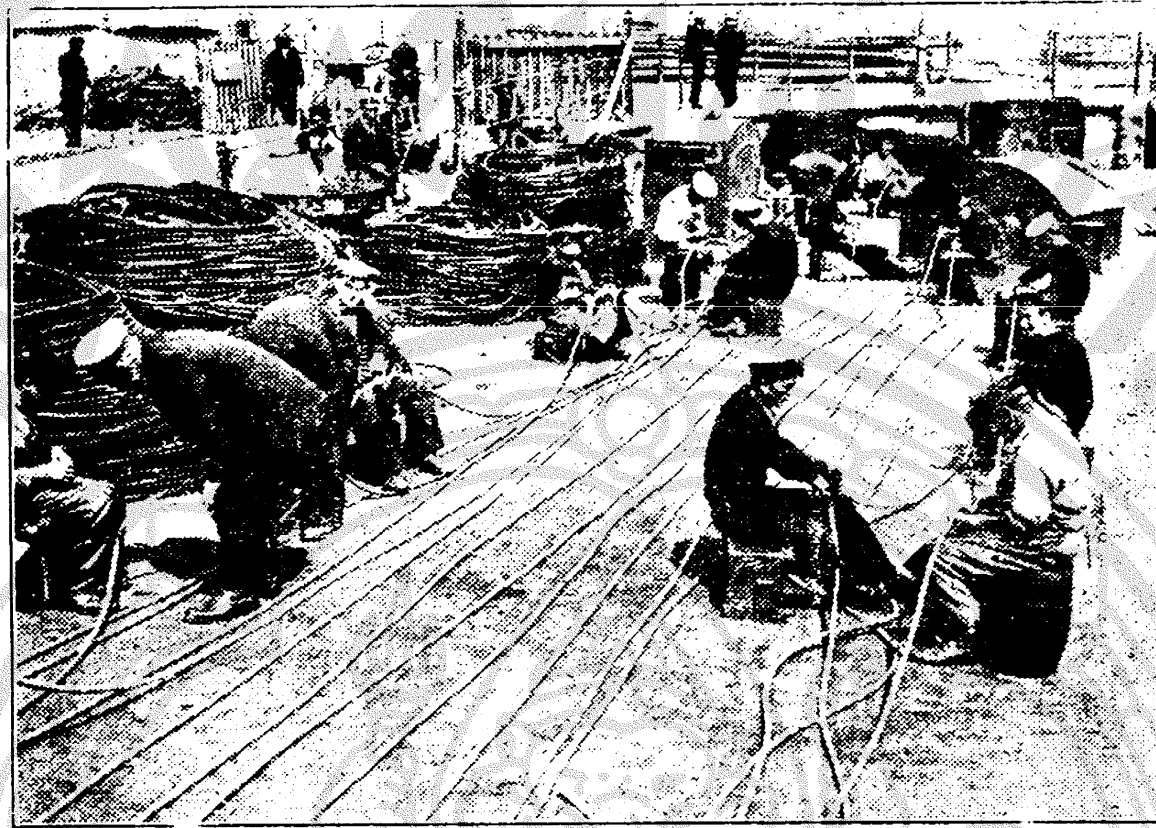
State of Ireland.

London, Nov. 16.—In the House of Lords, in a debate on the Irish situation, Lord Wimborne said: "We must not jump to alarmist conclusions. Ireland was not out of hand. She was prosperous and orderly, excepting for the rowdiness of a few towns. Out of a million additional acres cultivated in the United Kingdom, seventy per cent. was Irish. The Convention was the saving factor in a solution. Substantial progress had rewarded its labours. The drilling which was proceeding had not attained dangerous dimensions. Good judges believed that the Sinn Féin would not reject any peaceful practical recommendation of the Convention for reconciliation."

Lord Curzon emphasised the waning power of the Sinn Féin extremists, eighty per cent. of them being opposed to violence.

London, Nov. 12.—The Postmaster General in a speech at London hoped that the abolition of the penny post could be avoided, though it had seriously been considered more than once since his assumption of office.

Buffalo, Nov. 13.—President Wilson, addressing a convention of the American Labour Federation, an audience of six thousand gave him an ovation. He said this is the last decisive issue between the old principle of power and the new principle of freedom in Germany. The Berlin Baghdad project was designed to threaten with flames half a dozen other nations. If Germany's war map is unbroken, she will control the world. It is amazing that any group should be so misinformed as certain circles in Russia. I am opposed not to the feelings of the Pacificists, but to their stupidity. The pacifists do not know how to get peace. I do. Consequently I sent Colonel House to Europe to determine how the war must be won.



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