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Sept.	A.M.		L.W.	
	H. W.	Ft. in.	(Approx.)	
1	...	...	6-7	7.0
2	...	...	7-8	7.0
3	...	...	8-9	7.0
4	2.00	12.0	10-11	6.0
5	3.00	12.0	11-12	6.0
6	4.00	12.0	...	...
7	5.00	12.4	...	...
8	6.00	12.7	...	...
9	7.00	13.0	...	...
10	8.00	13.0	2-3	7.0
11	9.00	13.0	3-0	6.0
12	10.00	13.0	4-0	6.0
13	11.00	13.0	5-0	7.0
14	...	...	6-7	7.0
15	...	...	7-8	7.0
16	...	...	8-9	7.0
17	...	...	9-10	7.0
18	2.00	11.0	10-10	7.0
19	3.00	12.0	10-11	6.0
20	4.00	12.3	11-12	6.0
21	5.00	12.6	11-12	6.0
22	6.00	12.6	...	...
23	7.00	13.0	1-0	7.0
24	8.00	13.6	1-2	7.0
25	9.00	13.6	1-2	7.0
26	10.00	13.6	2-3	6.0
27	11.00	13.6	3-4	6.0
28	...	...	4-5	6.0
29	...	...	4-5	6.0
30	...	...	5-6	6.0

Sept.	P.M.		L.W.	
	H. W.	Ft. in.	(Approx.)	
1	4.30	13.11	...	...
2	5.30	14.4	...	...
3	5.30	14.5	...	...
4	6.00	14.5	...	...
5	6.00	14.6	...	...
6	6.00	14.6	1-0	6.0
7	7.00	14.8	1-0	6.0
8	7.00	14.7	1-0	6.0
9	7.00	14.5	1-2	7.0
10	8.00	14.2	...	...
11	8.00	13.6	...	...
12	8.00	13.6	...	...
13	8.00	13.6	...	...
14	8.00	13.6	...	...
15	2.00	13.6	...	...
16	3.00	14.0	...	...
17	4.00	14.6	...	...
18	5.00	14.6	...	...
19	6.00	14.6	...	...
20	6.00	14.6	...	...
21	6.00	14.4	1-0	7.0
22	6.00	14.0	1-0	7.0
23	7.00	13.10	1-2	7.0
24	7.00	13.8	...	...
25	7.00	13.5	...	...
26	7.00	13.2	...	...
27	7.00	13.0	...	...
28	6.00	13.0	...	...
29	4.00	13.6	...	...

## PHASES OF THE MOON.

Sept. 5th New Moon 5 h 26 m p.m.  
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Rome is a name to conjure with.  
All roads, it was said in earlier ages,  
led to Rome. Those were the days of  
pilgrimages, of holy shrines, of miracles  
wrought by the bones of saints. A  
quaint and beautiful world it was, such  
as you may read of in Dan Chaucer's  
"Canterbury Tales." And even to this  
day the glamour of the Eternal City is  
not dimmed. Travellers to Italy,  
among many fading recollections,  
bring away a life-long memory of  
Rome and of the Vatican—that august  
monument of medievalism. Who that  
has ever seen it is likely to forget the  
Sistine Chapel? Or the severe attack  
of neoclassic which a patient scrutiny  
of Michael Angelo's frescoes in the  
vault induced. And then there are all  
these wonderful churches of Italy,  
some beautiful, some gaudy and all  
calculated to entice the too eager  
sightseer on and on until he is fit to  
drop with fatigue. Who can forget  
Florence with her pure white cam-  
panile, S. Marco, beautiful with the  
slowly fading frescoes of Angelo,  
Assisi, whose cobble streets yet speak  
of gentle St. Francis, or the Campo  
Santa of Pisa, where crumbling fres-  
coes still display the medieval con-  
ception of Hell, Purgatory, and  
Paradise? True, there is a witfulness  
over all these places, for they speak to  
us out of another world.

But Italy was not always a holy land  
of the departed. The Holy See of  
Rome was once the focus of intellec-  
tual Europe. His Holiness was the  
equal, nay, the superior, of princes.  
The snows of Canossa have not yet  
forgotten how the Emperor Henry IV,  
barefoot and clad in sackcloth,  
waited for three days in the courtyard  
of Pope Gregory's Palace until he  
should receive forgiveness. But the  
river of Time has flowed fast since  
then. Our Popes issued their edicts  
and promulgated their bulls—Maxi-  
milians and Innocents and Leos and  
Borgias—of poisonous memory. In  
those far-away days the intellectual  
and spiritual life of Europe had not  
outgrown the ecclesiastical robes of the  
Middle Ages. Church. An interdict was  
still a serious thing, of which the most  
powerful prince might be afraid, and  
to die without the form of blessing  
prescribed by the Church was to go  
post haste to the place of fire and pitch-  
forks.

To-day the Holy See is represented  
by the faithful as upheld, not by  
temporal power, but by spiritual  
supremacy. It may be so, and yet  
facts do not speak very loudly in sup-  
port of their theory. Indeed, they  
rather prompt the asking of contro-  
versial questions. Is holiness of life  
the peculiar and exclusive property of  
Roman Catholic countries? Is the  
apostrophe of Rome indispensable for pro-  
tection from all snares of the Evil One?  
Is true spiritual progress only to be  
found where the medieval church in-  
structs the people in theology and  
morals? To all such questions Eng-  
lishmen bring an unbiased mind.  
For they have long since lost all but a  
purely antiquarian interest in that  
strange system of theology which may  
be studied in the works of St. Thomas  
Aquinas—that learned doctor who  
spent much time seeking to decide  
how many angels can stand on a  
needle's point at the same instant.  
Perhaps Englishmen were never very  
good subjects of the Holy See and  
when King Henry VIII, abolished  
Peter's power he was sure of the full  
approval of his people.

His Holiness Benedict XV, has re-  
cently come forward with certain  
peace proposals. And Europe is sur-  
prised—and a little pained—to find  
that the issues of the war are not at all  
clear to him. And yet what was to be  
expected? How is the recluse of the  
Vatican to get into touch with modern  
life? Nothing short of a miracle could  
enable him to do so, and miracles are  
not done, even for the benefit of the  
Papacy. His Holiness does not go out  
into the world to make discoveries for  
himself; he sits at home in his ancient  
palace and waits to be "advised." That  
is hardly the way to arrive at truth.  
So his counsel to the belligerents is to  
shake hands and be friends. The martyr-  
dom of Belgium and the rape of France,  
murder by sea and land, the discarding  
of all honourable rules of warfare, the  
infamies that have been wrought by  
unrepentant Prussia are to be forgiven.  
What, then, could be the value of such  
forgiveness as this? Has not His  
Holiness yet learnt the meaning of the  
one and only title to forgiveness?

But Pope Benedict does not belong  
to the modern world. For him it does  
not exist. His eyes are hidden. Pres-  
erved in that splendid museum of the  
Vatican, he knows nothing of what is  
passing outside. And perhaps—and  
since we wish him no ill—it is well for  
his own peace that it should be so. For  
the breath of freedom that is blowing  
through the world is not likely to blow  
him any good. The world he repre-  
sents has passed away.—Ez.

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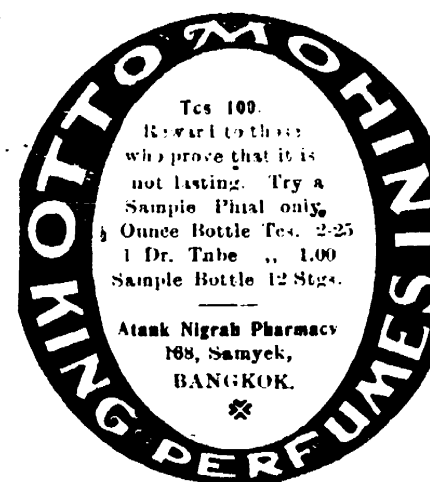
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**Luxemburg Betrothal.****People's Grievance Against Grand Duchess.**

The Hohenzollern scheme of forcing or encouraging matrimonial alliances with German princelings, in order that the throne of Europe shall be occupied by the puppets of Potsdam, is not to be consummated, says a home paper, in the case of the Grand Duchy of Luxemburg without protest referred to in a recent Reuter's message—from Luxemburgers, who are likely to suffer most in the end if the reported betrothal of the sister of the Grand Duchess of Luxemburg with Prince Rupprecht of Bavaria results in marriage. Luxemburg men of the French Colony, many of whom serve in the French Foreign Legion, are stated to have claimed forfeiture against their Grand Duchess for giving her sanction to an arrangement so obnoxious to any but pro-Germans. The Grand Duchy, although overrun since the war by Germans and treated as a vassal state, an absolutely independent principality, only joined to the German Zollverein for customs purposes. It is between Belgium, Germany and France and was supposed to form a buffer state to conflicting ambitions in Western Europe. Until 1866 it was part of the German Confederation, when it was declared a neutral territory under the sovereignty of the King of the Netherlands. On his decease it passed to the Duke of Nassau. She, Grand Duke William of Luxemburg, the last Duke of Nassau, died February 25, 1912 and it is his daughter, the Grand Duchess Marie, 18 years of age at the time, the eldest of six sisters and with no brother, who shares with Queen Wilhelmina the distinction of being the only reigning woman sovereign of Europe. The Grand Duchess is pretty, high spirited and famous chiefly for a will of her own. It was thought that one of the younger sons of the Kaiser would have found favour in her eyes, but hitherto she has disappointed the match-makers. Although her territory is small and her executive duties meagre, she is possessed of a large fortune. She has a Civil List of £8,000, and a fortune of some £10,000,000, amassed for the most part by the famous gambling tables at Wiesbaden in the old days before such enterprises were exiled to Monaco. Before the war it was considered that this fortune of the house of Nassau was well invested; and that large estates in Austria-Hungary, Germany and Luxemburg including mines, distilleries and many industries brought in what was reputed to be a princely revenue. Prince Rupprecht's bride, if the wedding does come off, is likely to bring with her a handsome

dot, but there are many broken engagements in high as well as low circles, and it is more than possible that the elderly princely widower from Bavaria may have to look elsewhere for a wife.

**The Sea War.**

The Hague, Sept. 6.—The Government has protested to Germany against the submarine destruction of vessels within the so-called barred zone and the sinking on Aug. 24 of seven fishing vessels and forcing various skippers to sign a declaration of which the contents were not known to them, and a request for the return of goods taken from the fishing vessels.

The Hague, Sept. 7.—Official: The Dutch Minister in Berlin has been instructed to protest vigorously against the "merciless action" of the German submarine shelling the Dutch trawler on July 7 without warning.

London, Sept. 6.—Thirteen Norwegian vessels of a tonnage of 23,000 were destroyed in August owing to war causes.

**German Vessels in Chile.**

Lima, Sept. 6.—Congress has approved of the arrangement where by Peru and the United States will use the German vessels interned at Callao.

Santiago de Chile, Sept. 6.—There is much indignation owing to the concerted attempt of crews of German ships in Chile comprising thirty two steamers and fifty-seven sailers of a tonnage of 230,000 to dynamite their ships and machinery. The quick action of the naval authorities prevented the complete destruction of the vessels but the engines of seven steamers were destroyed. Troops are now guarding the ships.

Amsterdam, Sept. 7.—A German warship was seen to sink yesterday evening off the Dutch coast, presumably mined or torpedoed.

Washington, Sept. 7.—The home-ward bound transport Mount Vernon, formerly the Kron-Prinzessin Cecilie, has been torpedoed 200 miles from France on Thursday, reaching port without casualties.

Washington, Sept. 7.—The Navy Department announces that a submarine sank the 2,000 ton American steamer Lake Owens by gunfire in foreign waters on September 3. Five of the crew are missing.

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### LOCAL AND GENERAL.

THE Government schools close tomorrow for the short vacation.

THE Chinese s.s. *Hunglee* arrived from Singapore this morning.

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

TO-DAY is a Mohammedan festival known to the Malays as *Hari Raya Hadji*.

MESSRS. Swanson and Sehested require the services of a Chinese Clerk with good knowledge of book-keeping.

OWING to the heavy state of the ground, there will be no Rugby Practice at the Sports Club to-morrow.

MR. Benjamin A. Perera will hold a series of auction sales of several enemy properties including the whole stock in trade of Messrs. Falck and Bidek.

The s.s. *Krian* left Singapore on Monday the 16th inst. and may be expected to arrive at the Borneo Company's Wharf on Thursday evening about 6 p.m.

A CABLE from the Hague says that it was reported from Hongkong on August 25 a large Italian transport arrived there with troops from Genoa, en route for Vladivostok.

I'd hate to be a Russian  
And with the Russians stand,  
A Prussian pistol at my head  
And a treaty in my hand.  
(Brooklyn Eagle.)

THE s.s. *Krian* left Singapore for Bangkok on Monday the 16th Sept. 1918, at 12 noon with 73 bags of B. L. Mail on board, and may be expected here on Thursday the 19th Sept. 1918.

IF King George cries out to "kill the umpire" at the Fourth of July baseball game in London, the Americanization of England may be said to have assumed the proportions of a drive. (New York World)

THE director of the Paris Toxicological Laboratory has invented a new apparatus which promises to be of the greatest use at the front. It enables the user to detect at once the presence of poisonous gases, even when the latter produce no immediate effect upon the senses of smell or taste.

ON Aug. 28 the Marconi Company entered into an agreement with the Chinese Government to purchase 200 wireless telephones with a range of 40 miles. The price is £300,000 and is to be deducted from a loan of £600,000 at 8 per cent. The telephones are to be delivered within nine months.

THE American rifle, which is a perfected model of the Lee-Enfield used by the British troops, has proved its superiority over the German rifle. The "United States," which is the name of the new weapon, has an easier sighting arrangement, greater precision and is more rapidly manipulated than the Mauser. On an average, the American could fire two shots to the German one.

### Football.

Phra Piji Nusana, Secretary of the Football Association of Siam, informs us that the final for the S. E. C. Cup which was to have been played on the 18th inst., will not come off until further notice.

These postponements, we understand, are due to a point raised by the opposing team that a certain member of the Ministry of Agriculture team is not entitled to play. An enquiry is evidently being held into the matter by the Committee.

### Berlin Tries to Force Finland to Fight Allies.

Washington, Sept. 14.—A report received by the Department of State from sources considered reliable says that the German Government has addressed an ultimatum to the Finnish Government requiring the Finnish army to prepare to march against the Entente forces on the Murman Coast within two weeks.

Another despatch from Stockholm says that the Russian sailors are declaring that they will fight the German Government rather than give up their ships, or will blow up the Russian navy rather than have it fall into the hands of the Germans.

The despatch also says that Lenin and Trotsky were seen in Kronstadt by Russian sailors.

An official despatch from France says that several Rumanian officers made a long journey through Russia to join the French army.

### The Chartered Bank Case.

#### Prince Sanpasart's Evidence.

This morning Phra Sukhum Vintichye and Mr. R.B.H. Gibbins and the counsel of the parties went to take Prince Sanpasart's evidence at his palace. The Prince who was in ill-health gave his evidence lying on a sofa and had to be supported when he had to sign his name to the statement.

The following evidence was taken:—

H. R. H. Prince Sanpasart Subhachit:—This document which is shown to me is one made by me. It is a power of attorney given by me to Nai Piem, my legal adviser, authorising him to act on my behalf in the case brought against me by the Chartered Bank. I cannot remember whether or not I have made an application to H. M. the King to borrow gold belonging to the Crown in order to pay off my debt to the Bank. The letter shown me bears my signature. I deputed Khun Praman to go on my behalf when the articles made for the State were being weighed. The remainder of the gold belonging to the Privy Purse is now with different goldsmiths in different places. The gold deposited by me with the Chartered Bank is not gold belonging to the Privy Purse. It was my gold or gold that I had borrowed from my relations. The gold was carried to the Bank by Khun Praman, who had the custody of the Privy Purse gold and the gold which was my own property. I have never authorised Khun Praman to deposit any gold belonging to the Privy Purse in the Chartered Bank.

Cross-examined by Mr. H. E. Jones: It is true that I owe the Chartered Bank over Tcs. 200,000, but the gold I have deposited with the Bank as security is worth more than the amount of the debt. I was a partner with Grahert in his jewellery business. The partnership continued until the latter's death. I never had a jeweller's shop of my own nor did I deal in jewellery on my own account. I have bought gold in Siam and from Phra Rajajaya Dara Rasami, but have never sold any. About eight years ago I had about 2000 to 3000 ticals weight of gold of my own.

To the Court.—The gold deposited in the Chartered Bank was in bars. Before Khun Praman took the gold to the Bank he did not bring the same to me for my examination. There was no mark of any kind on the gold deposited in the bank. After taking the above evidence the judges and counsel returned to the Court.

Phra Manava Rajasevi intimated to the court that he closed the case for the plaintiff and Mr. H. E. Jones called Mr. G. E. Allen, Agent of the Chartered Bank into the witness box.

The witness said that he took charge of the Bangkok branch of the business in 1914. The books showed that Prince Sanpasart was owing the Bank Tcs. 240,000 at that time. The gold was deposited by the Prince between 1911 and 1914. The last deposit was made in 1914. When the Bank took the gold it was sealed up and put away. It was the practice of the Bank to receive bullion as security for the advance of money. This was done frequently in Madras and other places in India.

The Court then adjourned. This afternoon when the Court resumed its sitting Mr. Jones called Mr. G. H. Ardron, Manager of the Siam Commercial Bank who stated that according to section 4 of the Articles of Association of the Bank, the taking of bullion as security for advances was permitted. The next witness called was Mr. Demey, acting manager of the Banque de l'Indo Chine who also gave similar evidence.

This closed the case for the defence and counsel will address the Court on a future date.

### German News.

Amsterdam, Sept. 9.—Writing to Vorwaerts, a correspondent in Flanders points out that out of thirty-two strong American divisions, only nine have been employed in big fighting, and ten have not yet been engaged at all. Moreover, only the larger half of the British divisions has been thrown into the fighting.

Stockholm, Sept. 9.—The Handels Tidning sharply replies to a protest of German legation against the reports of the mutiny of German submarine crews. The paper declares it will not submit to German dictation and points out that there has already been one mutiny in the German fleet.

### Paddy Crop Report Sept. 16, 1918.

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## THE Great War.

### Americans Take 12,000 Prisoners.

(REUTER'S TELEGRAM.)

London, Sept. 16.—Americans have completely outflanked the St. Mihiel salient. The number of prisoners captured has reached 12,000. The railways from Verdun to Commercy and from Toul to Nancy are now open to our traffic.

### Japanese Captures.

(REUTER'S TELEGRAM.)

London, Sept. 16.—A Japanese communiqué from Tokyo states that the captures in Khabarovsk include 150 prisoners, some German officers, 17 river gunboats and 120 guns.

### French Operations.

(REUTER'S TELEGRAM.)

London, Sept. 16.—French communiqué:—South of St. Quentin we advanced to the outskirts of Fontain-lez-Clercs.

Between the Oise and the Aisne we made local attacks with the object of improving our positions.

We captured the villages of Allement, Laffaux and Mille despite severe resistance.

We increased our progress east of Sancy and north-east of Celles-sur-Aisne and two thousand five hundred prisoners were counted.

South of the Aisne we captured the village of Glennes and two hundred prisoners.

### Havas Telegrams.

Paris, Sept. 13.

In the sector of St. Mihiel, the Franco-Americans realised important progress advancing 8 kilometres and taking 800 prisoners.

The English crossed the Canal-du-Nord in the part of the Hindenburg line, taking a thousand prisoners. The English took Holnon Wood and the village of Jeancourt and progressed to the west of Auchy-la-Basée.

The journals, commenting on the Franco-American advance say that the first officer to enter at the head of the troops a reconquered town of 3,604 inhabitants was Captain Michel Clémenceau, son of the President of Council. This town was stubbornly defended. We took numerous prisoners who said they had been ordered to hold it at all costs. We seized numerous cannon of all calibres.

In a speech the German Vice-Chancellor set forth the German peace conditions. He added also, "the establishment of the *Status-quo* in the west, the maintenance of the conquests in the east, the restoration of the colonies; then Belgium will be evacuated; Germany will renounce all war indemnities."

A non-confirmed but probably truthful report says that the Tarina and her four daughters have been assassinated by the Bolsheviks.

Paris, Sept. 14.

The Franco-Americans advanced 20 kilometres to the N. E. of St. Mihiel, 13,300 prisoners have been captured.

The British have occupied Auchy-la-Basée.

President Poincaré has telegraphed to President Wilson felicitations on the American victory.

A despatch from Washington says that Brazil has broken off relations with Austria.

The Tchaikowsky Cabinet, exiled by the military *émée* has returned to Archangel and resumed power.

The *Petit Parisienne* says that a German submarine cannonaded a Spanish ship near the Canaries.

Paris, Sept. 16.

We have taken the villages of Allement and Du Moulin and Laffaux and have progressed to the east of Sancy and to the north-east of Celles-sur-Aisne. We have taken Glennes.

The British progressed in the Havrincourt sector and advanced in the sector of the La Basée Canal.

The Americans remain in contact with the enemy forces.

The State of Deputy Ferry's health, wounded on Sunday last, remains grave following an attack of pneumonia.

Archangel:—The Tchaikowsky Cabinet has resigned office demanding that the Archangel region be re-attached to the Government constituted at Samara.

An earthquake has occurred at the island of Milo.

### Austrian Peace Move.

(REUTER'S TELEGRAM.)

London, Sept. 16.—Amsterdam, Vienna Official, Saturday:—"With a view to examining whether conditions such as make the inauguration of peace negotiations appear promising, the Austro-Hungarian Government to-day invited belligerent Governments to confidential and non-binding discussions at a neutral centre and addressed them a note drawn up in this sense. A special note was also sent to the Holy See bringing this action to its notice and appealing for the Pope's interest in the cause of peace."

### The Situation in Russia

(REUTER'S TELEGRAM.)

London, Sept. 16.—Renter learns from official quarters that the situation in Russia is desperate. The Bolshevik government is breaking up. It is known that a month ago Trotsky and Lenin prepared to escape to Switzerland commandeering therefor a considerable quantity of gold for their personal use.

Renter learns further that latest information from Germany shows that a great democratic peace campaign is preparing for the delusion of the Allies.

### Havas Wires from Singapore.

### The American Offensive.

Paris, Sept. 13.

A day of big importance was the 12th September, when the First American Army went into action for the first time. The Germans offered resistance to the advancing Americans, but then withdrew to their second line, pursued by tanks. The Germans are likely to retreat from the bulge at St. Mihiel.

The aim of the offensive is Briey and Longwy, the chief towns in the greatest French iron districts, producing three-fifths of the normal French output.

French troops co-operated in the new offensive.

Paris, Sept. 14.

There is enthusiastic comment in the French Press on the swift and powerful blow at the St. Mihiel salient, with its powerful defensive observation position. The American army is the worthy inheritor of the tradition of General Grant.

### The British and French Fronts.

Paris, Sept. 13.

The British and French have made progress nearer St. Quentin. More of the Hindenburg line has been taken.

Paris, Sept. 14.

The British continue to bite the German salient around La Basée. More progress has been made towards St. Quentin.

### Germany's New Peace Offensive.

Paris, Sept. 13.

The Kaiser made a long speech on the occasion of a visit to Essen. Once more he posed as the Apostle of Peace, trying to throw the onus of the fightful hatred on Germany's enemies.

But that kind of Kaiserian literature is no longer effective, even with the German people. A sign of the distressing conditions in Germany now in progress—some words missing).

Paris, Sept. 14.

Von Payer said at Stuttgart that the co-operation of America is a heavy burden for Germany, and that no faith is to be placed in his (presumably President Wilson's) promises.

Concerning the efforts of the German propaganda by the Kaiser, Hindenburg, Hertling and Payer, the French Press points out that the moral consequences of the military situation are incalculable, and that the reverse cannot be kept from the knowledge of the German nation. German prisoners make no effort to conceal their satisfaction at being taken.

### The Allied Leader.

Paris, September 13.

Mr. Lloyd George has made an important speech at Manchester. He praised the services of Marshal Foch in the unity of the command as possessing great military imagination in taking into view the perspectives of the war. The chief difference, he said, between 1916 and 1918 is that the most useful unity of command will lead to victory. The genius of Foch is especially adapted to the conditions of this war, in

which battles are fought on a front of 300 miles.

### Retribution.

Paris, Sept. 14.

The French Government intends appointing an Allied Commission to investigate the German offences against the laws of war on the Western front. There is enthusiastic support for a proposal of retaliation against German towns, one of which should be razed to the ground for each French or Belgian town destroyed.

### British Legation Telegrams.

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

### An Altered Tone.

The public utterances of the Kaiser, German statesmen and the newspapers continue increasingly to show an altered tone. Speaking at Krupp's works, the Kaiser said that the Allies had answered the repeated and not ambiguous offers from the German Government, with their intention to bring about the destruction, disintegration and crushing of the German Empire. Germany must fight to preserve her existence.

The German people before the war was industrious and assiduous and worked with body and soul "but there were people who did not wish to work but rest on their laurels. Those were our enemies. This enemy induced other enemies to fight and war came upon us."

The general tone of the German newspapers is that the Germans had retired in order to shorten their line against the superior numbers of the enemy. They sorrowfully admit the American aid to the Allies. It is unanimously declared that Germany is now on the defensive.

### German Depression.

The Vice-Chancellor, von Payer, speaking at Stuttgart on Sept. 12th, said that the depression showing itself at present in Germany was really due to the feeling lying heavily on German spirits that peace prospects were being increasingly postponed and that the possibility of a fifth winter of war must be faced. Submarine war had not worked so quickly and surely as the German people had earlier reckoned upon. American intervention means a heavy and increasing burden. There can be no peace of conquest.

### Changes in German Government.

Rumours have been current of impending changes in the German Government. Doctor Solf is mentioned as successor to Hertling in the Chancellorship with the Socialist Scheide-mann and the Liberal Erzberger as members of the Government. These rumours are denied but it is stated in some quarters that changes will be realised in the near future before the Reichstag meets.

A preliminary condition for us and our Allies is that all territory be restored which we possessed on August 1st, 1914. Germany must therefore firstly receive back her colonies in which connection the idea of exchange on grounds of expediency need not be excluded. We Germans, as soon peace is concluded, can evacuate the occupied regions. We can, once things have reached that stage, restore Belgium.

No compensation would be paid to Belgium because she was not an innocent victim.

Germany was really the attacked party in the war and has the right to indemnification. On calm reflection she has abandoned the idea and will willingly enter a league of nations. The settlement with Russia must stand. The blame rests with the Allies for the continuance of war. Germany will teach them it is hopeless to go on.

### Mr. Lloyd George Speaks.

Mr. Lloyd George spoke at Manchester on Sept. 12th on receiving the freedom of the city. He said the news from the front was distinctly good and although we were not at the end of the journey, the worst was over. Of the recent battles on the British front he said that in nineteen sixteen we had fought over the same ground for five months capturing forty thousand prisoners and one hundred and twenty-nine guns, but having appalling casualties. This year we had conquered the same ground and a good deal more, capturing eighty thousand prisoners and seven hundred and fifty guns. Our casualties were less than a fifth of what they were in nineteen sixteen. Nothing but heart failure on the part of the nation could prevent our

### Notice.

Owing to docking of the s.s. "Chutatch" there will be no departure for Chantaboon and Ports on Wednesday the 18th inst.

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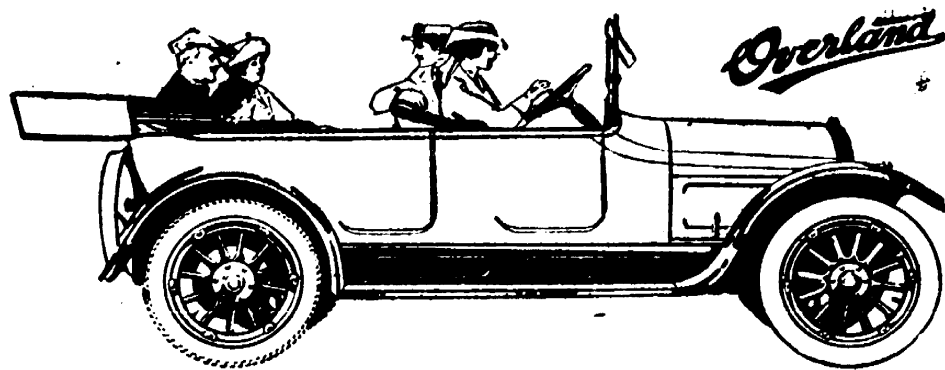
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## More From British Front.

London, Sept. 5.—Reuter's correspondent wiring this afternoon from British Headquarters reports on the full British battlefront and says the absolute failure of the enemy to react anywhere is perhaps the most striking testimony to the completeness of our victory. To-day our troops are within seven miles of Cambrai. Between us and Cambrai is the Maroing line, which according to our airmen is little more than a belt of wire. However there are some of the strongest defensive positions ahead such as Havrincourt wood, into which we are now pumping gas and shells and Bourlon wood of unpleasant memory.

London, Sept. 6.—Reuter's correspondent wiring on Friday morning from British Headquarters says the past twenty-four hours have been mainly devoted to a general mopping up on the field of our late victories. A good deal of straggling fighting occurred, especially in the vicinity of Mouvaes, where we cleared the ridge. During yesterday between the Scarpe and Somme we took prisoner 500. The enemy is blowing up his ammunition dumps in the areas behind Le Mesnil and Athies wood and is evidently endeavouring to get back as quickly as possible to the Hindenburg line. Our patrols are feeling their way along the crest north-east of Walverghem. The enemy continues to show apprehension of a tank surprise and are using their batteries at extreme range. The considerable number of enemy wounded which has been shot in the back by its own officers is a striking revelation of the present frame of mind of the German army. Not only do they refuse to salute but sometimes they openly jeer at and deride them.

Within Smell of Ham.

London, Sept. 6.—Reuter learns that since the morning we have advanced on a front of twelve miles to a depth of three astride the Amiens St. Quentin road. At present our line runs west of Templeux, Tincourt, Boucy and Bouvincourt, thence astride Estrees, Monchy, Lagnelle and Quivieres.

An important feature of the morning's news is that, except between Havrincourt and the Scarpe, the Allies have now crossed the whole Canal du Nord, Somme and Tortille waterline down to Ham, from which the Allies are about four miles distant. The check to the progress of the tanks which this waterline constituted has now been overcome and except to the north there is now no waterline between us and the Hindenburg line.

The French progressing between the Somme and Oise have practically captured the whole of Outrecoart Massif and are now within three miles of Chauny sur Oise, where the Crozat canal furnishes the enemy with a waterline which however is liable to be turned from Oilly in the north. The French secured a good hold of the northern bank of the Ailette and are very close to the Hindenburg line in the neighbourhood of Great St. Gobain Massif. The latter would be very difficult to capture frontally. Since August 8 the enemy has put in a hundred and one divisions on the battle front north and south of the Somme and also two dismounted cavalry divisions. Twenty-nine divisions have been engaged twice.

North of the Oise the French are in possession of the whole of Outrecoart Massif. The situation is developing according to anticipations and the German retreat is proceeding towards the Hindenburg line.

## German Disquiet.

Amsterdam, Sept. 6.—As an instance of the widespread disquiet in Germany the Kechnische Volks Zeitung calls attention to the fact that the military authorities have placarded Berlin, Breslau and other towns with a decree threatening imprisonment of people circulating disquieting rumours. The decree rebukes foolish chatters who are circulating rumours void of real foundation which exaggerate "the transitory success of the enemy and the strength of his resources. This agitation is calculated to shake our resolute confidence in final victory."

Amsterdam, Sept. 6.—The Military correspondent of the North German Gazette says the British have undoubtedly captured ground to a considerable depth and the German retreat is an enforced retreat. "Without doubt we are confronted with an extraordinarily serious situation, for our enemies desire to enforce a decision before the winter and in order to obtain this they are bringing up the entire strength of their peoples and fighting material which the world's industry has placed at their disposal."

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## Germany's "Eternal Sickness."

Harden and the Kaiser.

In a July issue of Maximilian Harden's *Zukunft* is an scathing indictment of Germany's policy and her rulers and statesmen as has yet seen light. It is entitled "The Eternal Sickness," by which the writer means the desire for world dominion, and he clearly implies that it is in Germany where this sickness is raging.

Not only does von Kuehlmann fall under Harden's scornful lash, but also the Kaiser himself, in connection with whose recent outburst against the Anglo-Saxon world-conception Harden recalls the contrary view expressed by the Emperor in his famous *Daily Telegraph* interview. Referring to the Kaiser's speech, Harden writes: "He did not always think thus—he who, as the son of a British woman, once in an unbaptized famous interview, declared himself England's only friend in an Anglophobe nation."

"In his opinion now the peoples of the world are under the yoke of the Anglo-Saxon dominating race, for whom they are working as slaves, and the war cannot end before one of the different world conceptions has unconditionally conquered—Prussian Germanic freedom, right, honour and morality, or Anglo-Saxon idolising of money."

"Why was von Kuehlmann's speech discussed in foreign countries only with contempt and abuse at home with fury? Because there was nothing in it which convinced them of the uprightness of its author. The restoration of Belgium to its condition of July, 1914, must be guaranteed, or the answer put off until America, England and France have been so defeated that even after a period of years they will not be able to raise themselves and will declare themselves conquered. Anything else is sham fighting."

"He who loudly counts Belgium as among the hostages, that is, among the territories gained after the open declaration of war, increases thereby in foreign countries the crowds of those who do not attribute to the Prussian-Germanic spirit freedom, right, honour, and morality."

For a full appreciation of Harden's daring it must be remembered that his concluding five words, quoted with ironical reiteration in the course of the article, are from the Kaiser's recent "two world-conceptions" speech.

## South African Dutch.

The Lichnowsky memorandum, which was published verbatim some time ago by the *Cape Times* and by *One Land*, has had a most salutary effect in counter-acting the six-of-one-and-half-dozen-of-the-other theory as to the origin of the war, which the Nationalists and pro-German agents have been diligently instilling into the people since 1914. These propagandists have relied on the existence of the censorship to suggest to the ignorant and prejudiced section of the Dutch-speaking population that if only the German evidence were allowed to come through the British version would surely be proved one-sided and untrustworthy.

Germanophil speculations in this vein have been hard hit by the Lichnowsky memorandum. Proof of this is an article in the *De Burger*, the chief organ of the Nationalist Party. Forgetting the official admissions in the Reichstag, the article instils doubts in regard to the authorship of the memorandum, and then goes on to attack Prince Lichnowsky as a third-rate diplomatist hypnotized by Viscount Grey, and concludes by drawing a camouflage distinction between the events which were the immediate occasion of the war and its real origin. Not a word is said of the direct contradiction between the efforts of Viscount Grey for an Anglo-German rapprochement, as recorded by Prince Lichnowsky, particularly the proposed convention in regard to Africa and Mesopotamia, and the assertion of Herr von Bettmann-Hollweg, reiterated quite recently by Count Hertling, that the encirclement by Great Britain and her Allies was the *cum causa belli*.

The article plainly shows that *De Burger* felt constrained to say something to counteract the effect of the document, which it hitherto ignored because it was unable to venture upon serious criticism of the statements of fact it contains.

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Ministry of Agriculture	58.6	3.5	601.1	699.2	
Samudprakar	No report	43.2	...	730.7	
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Lobbur	No report	7.3	...	808.9	
Nagor Pathom	165.7	3.3	736.1	830.6	
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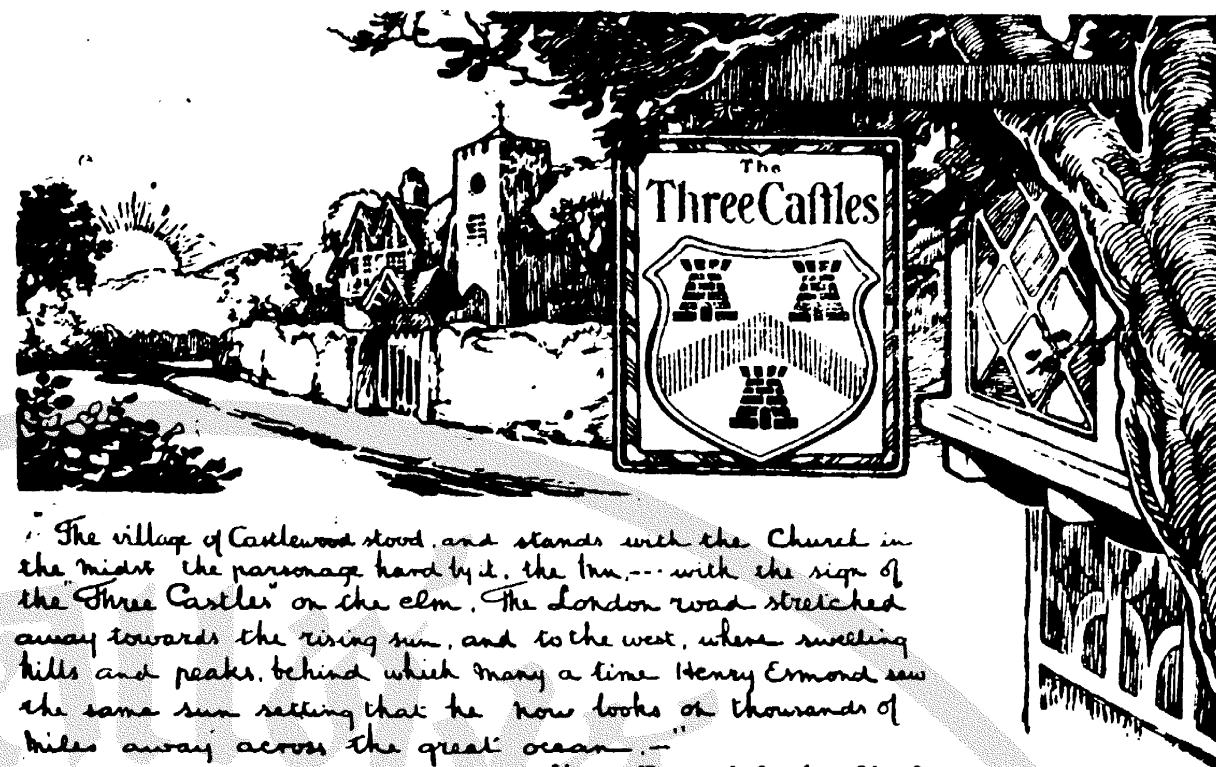
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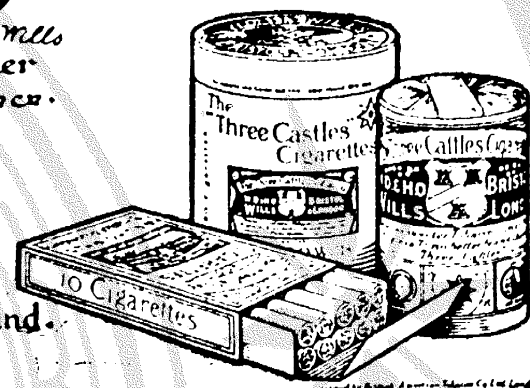
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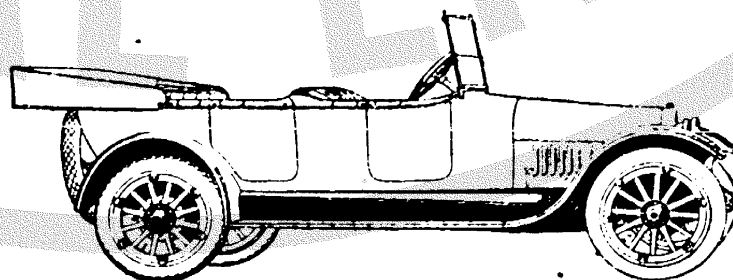
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Even before the war the German Government was gravely preoccupied with the birth-rate of the Empire, which fell steadily from 40 per thousand in 1870 to 23.3 in 1913; and it is likely that one of the many reasons which led them to involve Europe in war was the desire to fight before their annual recruitment fell too low to give a prospect of success. Between 1913 and 1916, however, the rate again fell enormously, and reached 17.0, a reduction of 40 per cent. in three years. This means, according to a recent report issued by the Intelligence Department of the British Local Government Board, that after three years of War Germany was short of more than two million children who ought to have been born. The Copenhagen Society for the study of the Social Consequences of the War, in a study of the subject published in 1917, worked out the detailed figure for the first three years of war, 2,452,390, or nearly 2½ million. This study takes the increase in the German death-rate for these three years at 32 per cent. including military losses, and makes the total loss to Germany for these three years 3,700,000. We are going here to consider what the loss will be at the end of four years of war. Obviously we cannot merely carry on the Copenhagen figures for another year; for the death-rate has not remained constant, while the birth-rate has again fallen heavily since 1916. Naturally we have no official figures yet, but the weekly returns of births for some of the large towns are available.

Let us take the death-rate first. The Copenhagen figures are presumably founded on the German official figures of their military losses. These figures are known to be incorrect, on several lines of evidence. One of that earlier in the war, before the German Government stopped their exportation, private lists—local rolls of honour, friendly society death-rolls, etc.—were available, and it was possible to calculate with more or less success the ratio of difference between the German official death-roll and the true death-roll. For an easily understood proof of the discrepancy, it suffices to mention that early in the spring of 1917 then the American Ambassador in Germany, Mr. Gerard, was told by the authorities that the German dead were 13 million, at a time when the official list still stood

at under one million. The best calculation of the German losses available to us, extending over 34 months, which we believe is based on the conclusions of the French General Staff, shows that the dead reached one million in 17 months; but in the second 17 months, owing to the slackening on the Russian front, they did not quite double; 1,800,000 would be a moderate figure for 34 months, giving an average of 53,000 dead per month. In the next 9 months, down to and including February 1918, the average certainly fell and must have been well under 53,000; while since March 21, the German losses have been the greatest yet known in the war, and will no doubt so continue till the end of the 4th year (July 31). Here, we can only guess. If one took 40,000 a month for those 9 months, and 68,000 for 5 months one would reach 2½ million at the end of four years. The death may not reach that; but it is improbable that they will fall far short.

The loss in births for the fourth year, of the 1916 ratio, would be some 833,000, making about 3,315,000 for four years. But in fact the birth-rate has fallen again enormously since 1916. The *Amster dan Handelsblad* recently took out the weekly figures at the beginning of January 1918 for 12 of the large towns, including Berlin; they showed an average birth-rate of 9.79 per thousand (against an average of 23.30 for London, Liverpool, Birmingham, Glasgow and Dublin). Doubtless the country districts are better; but a heavy fall is indisputable. The total loss in births over 4 years cannot therefore well be less than 3½ million, and may be very much more. How bad the position is may be guessed from the two Bills for increasing population recently introduced in the Reichstag, one of which is a panic measure to prohibit the manufacture and sale of contraceptives; naturally it will have small effect. Before the war we heard much about the low French birth-rate, 18.7. But in the big towns of what the French was, and the fall there since 1913 is no longer 40 per cent. but 70 per cent. that is, three children are born where 10 should be.

Two other points must be noticed. Germany has had some success in reducing her infantile death-rate, though it is still too high; it fell from 135 per thousand in 1914 to 132 in 1916 (against 95 in England in 1916). However, as 155 was a considerable rise over the peace-time figure, the real gain is far less than it looks. An as-

tonding figure (66 per cent.) is in circulation for the present death-rate among illegitimate children in their first year, but we cannot say with what truth. We know however from the insurance offices that there has been a considerable rise during the war in the death-rate among older civilians. We ourselves have unfortunately no figure for this increase; but the *Kommunale Prozie* on January 19, 1918 gave some statistics for Friedenau, a Berlin middle-class suburb, which throw light on the question: deaths rose from 307 in 1913 to 583 in 1915 and 495 in 1916, and these include only part of the deaths in the local military hospital. That is, the Friedenau death-rate had by 1916 risen over 62 per cent. while the Copenhagen study take an all-round rise of only 32 per cent. We have then to add an unascertained figure for the higher civilian death-rate.

The conclusion then is that by August 1, 1918 Germany will have suffered a dead loss of at least 3½ million potential children, somewhere near 2½ million soldiers, and an unascertained figure due to the higher civilian death-rate; that is, a total of something over 6 million all told, on a pre-war population of 67.8 million. We should not like to say without qualification, as some Germans have said, that Germany will have been decimated; but certainly she will not be far off it. And to this has still to be added an unknown number of "war-children," so much discussed by German doctors, whom Professor Nicolai estimated at from one to two million for the first two years of the war: children born of hysterical parents, below the normal standard, and only reared with difficulty, who may live but can hardly become useful citizens.

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London, Sept. 6.—Field Marshal Haig reporting on aviation says during Sept. 4 we dropped twenty-three tons of explosives. Nightbombing was impossible. The enemy working large formations on their side of the lines showed considerable activity. We brought down twenty-five hostile machines, shot down nine balloons flames, and drove down fourteen aeroplanes out of control. Sixteen British are missing. One British reported missing on Sept. 2 has since returned. Since the beginning of the offensive on August 8 we have brought down 469 hostile machines destruction in every case being clearly established. We drove down out of control 200 of which many actually crashed. These totals are exclusive of considerable number brought down by anti-aircraft guns. We also set on fire 61 balloons. We dropped 911 tons of bombs. Practically the whole of the air-fighting occurred on the enemy's side of the lines; 262 British did not return in this period.

London, Sept. 7.—French Communiqué: Our airmen were very prominent in the elevation and machine gunning the retreating troops, transport and bivouacs. Thousands of rounds were fired. Six tons of bombs were dropped on stations, causing the utmost confusion. Fifteen German aeroplanes were crashed.

London, Sept. 7.—Reporting on aviation Field Marshal Haig says our aeroplanes machine-gunned and bombed enemy troops. Enemy aircraft flying in large formations on the German side of the line were active especially at Cambrai. We destroyed twenty-three hostile machines and drove down fourteen out of control. Thirteen British are missing. We dropped twenty one tons of bombs on various targets. Nightflying was impossible.

London, Sept. 8.—Haig: Aviation: We brought down eleven and drove down twelve enemy machines uncontrollable. Five British machines are missing. We dropped thirty-two tons in the daytime and night time, heavily attacking the railway connections at Armentieres, Lille, Douai, Douai, Cambrai and St. Quentin. All the nightfliers returned.

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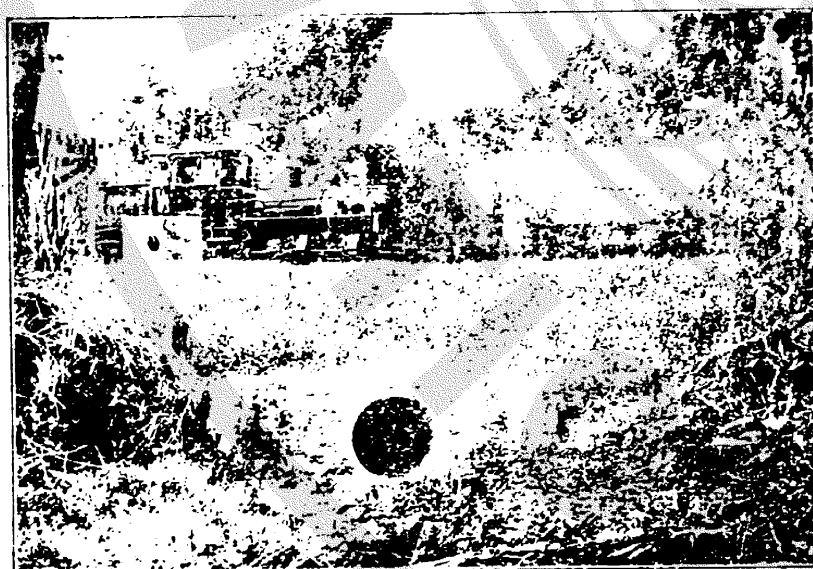
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