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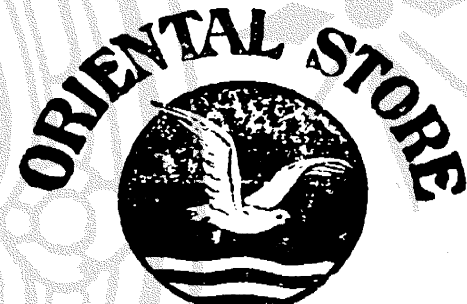
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Last of the Warspite.

To be burned to the water's edge was the fate of the famous Thames training ship Warspite, one of the old three-deckers that were once the glory of the British Navy. It appears that the fire broke out in a quantity of coal on board. Splendid discipline was displayed by the boys when the fire assembly was sounded, and every lad went to his allotted quarter. Tugs hastened to the scene, and the aid of the London Fire Brigade was at once given, the river boats Beta II and Gamma I proceeding down the river at full speed. Some of the boys helped the ship's officers at the pumps. Three of them fainted while at work, owing to the smoke and heat. As the fire continued to make progress all the boys were removed to the shore. The floats and tugs poured volumes of water on the burning vessel, but as the night wore on it became apparent that the fire was gaining a stronger hold, and the half-gale which swept across the river increased the fury of the flames. Presently the fire began to eat through the decks, and the workers who had remained on board were compelled to leave. Captain Hill, in command, was the last to leave.

At midnight there was a tremendous burst of flame from the vessel, which was alight from end to end, and was obviously doomed. The spectacle when the blazing masts toppled overboard was a thrilling one. By 2 a.m. the Warspite was burnt to the water's edge, and when the tide began to run up at 3 o'clock the old ship was submerged. The fire is supposed to have been due to spontaneous ignition. The Warspite was 160 years old, and was formerly H.M.S. Conqueror, a vessel of 80 guns. She has been moored in the bend of the Thames at Greenwich for many years, and belonged to the Marine Society, which owed its inception in 1756 to Jonas Hanway, a London merchant, whose idea was to give boys some religious and moral training and equip them for a sea career. Hanway himself achieved some fame as the first man to carry an umbrella in London. The last fire of a similar character in the Thames happened over 40 years ago, when the London School Board ship Goliath was burned to the water's edge at Grays, and there were some memorable scenes of heroism. Eleven days later the Warspite's predecessor was burned out.

There was a sensational sequel to the burning of the vessel when three boys

were charged at Dartford with having set the ship on fire. The accused are Ernest Cecil Adams, Frederick George Blogg, and Harold John Wesley Gair, and they are all under 16 and members of the crew. It was stated in court by the police that Blogg admitted setting fire to the ship, and said the preparations to do so were made before the Christmas leave. Adams said he was asked to go with the other two boys into the hold, where he saw a heap of wood and pieces of canvas. Blogg took some matches from his jumper, and set fire to the heap. When it blazed up they went up on deck and waited for the sounding of the fire alarm. He added that they left a lighted lamp which they took with them into the hold. Accused were remanded.

Lady Spy Caught.

London, Jan. 20.—From Milan comes an interesting story of the capture of an international spy, a woman well known in opera, through the aid of the American secret service. More than twenty years ago a Rumanian girl, Elena Teodorina, appeared in opera at Rome and secured a remarkable success. Ultimately she sang with great success in the United States and South America.

Recently it was reported that she had been recruited as a German spy. It is now revealed that when she was in Buenos Aires she was in the entourage of the notorious Count von Luxburg, the German Minister to Argentina, and travelled constantly between New York and Argentina. Eventually her activities attracted suspicion, and when she sailed for Spain last October the American secret service warned the English. When they were approaching Cadiz she was stopped and boarded by officers of a British destroyer.

Mrs. Teodorina's baggage was examined minutely and some papers found that appeared to be innocent, but under chemical treatment they developed peculiar hieroglyphic writings which could not be deciphered. Then Mrs. Teodorina was taken to the female attendant to a bathroom, stripped and her skin was treated with chemicals. The complete key to the hieroglyphics was found on her shoulder. She is now held as spy at some place which is not divulged.

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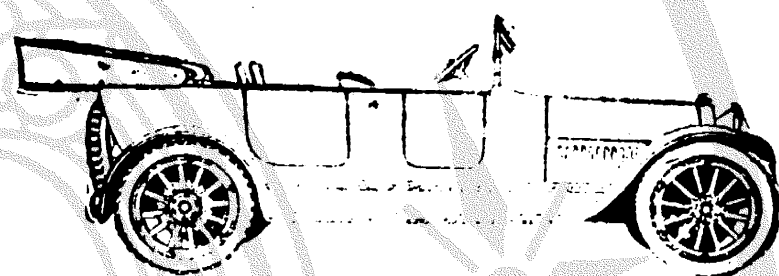
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For children, apply with cotton wool on the cheek and relief is certain within half an hour. For cough and Sorethroat, dip the mixture slowly. For Eczema, apply externally and take internally as directed. For Herpes, take full dose three times a day. For cholera, take one tablespoonful every 5 minutes.

For Toothache, clean the cavity of the tooth first and then saturate a piece of cotton wool in Jong-Keena and fill cavity with same, changing five or six times every 3 minutes and relief is certain. For loose teeth caused by the swelling of the gum, take internally as directed for a week and the teeth will be firm again.

For Earache, clean the ear first with cotton wool, put 5 or 6 drops into ear and seal the hole with cotton-wool—relief is certain within a few minutes.

For Gout, Wounds and wounds caused by rusty nails, cuts or burns, apply the mixture, cover with cotton-wool and bandage, change dressing every three hours, and take internally as directed until relieved or healed.

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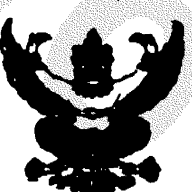
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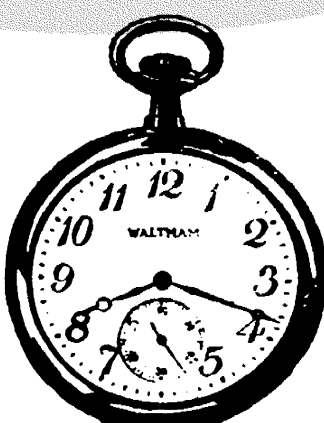
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Great War.

The Great Battle.

(REUTER'S TELEGRAM.)

London, April 15.

Field Marshal Haig reports:—The enemy maintained strong pressure all day long southward and southwestward of Baillencourt making constant attacks with great force which are still continuing. We have been slowly pushed back in continuous fighting to positions in the neighbourhood of Baillencourt and Really (?) where we are heavily engaging the enemy. There is sharp fighting also northward of La Bassée canal.

The enemy slightly progressed between the Lawe and Clearance rivers. Elsewhere our positions are maintained where 110 German divisions have so far been engaged since the 21st. of March, whereof 40 have been thrown into battle twice or thrice.

London, April 13.

Field Marshal Haig reports that the enemy pressed attacks strongly the whole day on the entire northern battle front. Fresh divisions continually and heavily assaulted the Lawe river region between Loos and Lestres.

Our fifty-first division beat off incessant attacks inflicting great losses and recaptured positions by vigorous counter-attacks.

There was heavy fighting between Estaires and Steenwerchin.

In this sector the enemy attacked in strength and pushed back our line to just north of these places.

(Havas Telegram.)

Paris, April 12.

There was violent artillery in the region of Hangard-en-Santerre. There were active French reconnaissances in the Noyon and Canny-sur-Marx sectors.

On the British front a stubborn counter developed without interruption near Neville and Neuf Bourquin where the enemy progressed as well as at near Progestreet.

On the other fronts the situation remains unchanged.

We took elements of trenches to the east of Festubert.

The battle continues on all the front to the north of La Bassée canal as far as Holbeke.

German artillery is active on both banks of the Somme.

Paris, April 13.

We threw back the enemy in the region of Hangard-en-Santerre. We retook the village and made prisoners of whom three were officers.

Artillery is violent on all the front especially between Montdidier and Noyon.

The Germans continue to bombard Rheims. A part of the town is in flames.

The Americans broke attempted attacks in the forest of Apremont.

It is reported from the British front that the English have progressed slightly at Festubert where many assaults were repulsed. The enemy did not advance at all.

Air Raids.

(REUTER'S TELEGRAM.)

London, April 15.

Paris:—German aeroplanes crossed our lines proceeding southwards. Only two reached Paris and dropped some bombs. The casualties are 11 killed and 50 wounded.

(Havas Telegram.)

Paris, April 13.

German aeroplanes attempted to fly over the capital. Two reached the Paris region, killing twenty-six and wounding seventy-two.

(REUTER'S TELEGRAM.)

London, April 15.

The Press Bureau Announces:—Hostile aeroplanes crossed the East Coast in the evening and attacked certain Eastern and Midland districts. One or two raiders penetrated further inland where some bombs were dropped.

Irish Conscription.

(REUTER'S TELEGRAM.)

London, April 15.

In the House of Commons the Nationalist amendment against conscription in Ireland was rejected by 290 to 108 votes.

LOCAL AND GENERAL.

REUTER'S and Havas Telegrams will be found on page 8.

MR. M. F. H. Swete of the Forest Department is in town.

MESDAMES Wister, Cochrane and Kerr are leaving on holiday for Hua Hin tomorrow.

MR. J. H. B. Smith of the Phang Gaele who has been making a short stay here left yesterday morning by the Mahidol.

THE Post and Telegraph Department reports that Paknamphong line is still in good order as far as Ayudhya. Other lines are all available.

MADAME Pradibaddha Bhubal and children left this morning for Hua Hin for a change. Para Pradibaddha will join them there shortly.

MR. Kalmykoff, a celebrated Russian artist, is short to give an exhibition of his work in Bangkok. Further particulars will be duly announced.

THE new building to be occupied by Messrs. Whitaway, Lullaw and Co., Ltd. is making rapid progress. Many of the great concrete panels which form a distinctive feature of the edifice are already in position.

A LETTER has been received by a Chinese dealer here to the effect that some bandits in the Swatow district forged the name of a military officer to procure guns and having thus armed themselves they robbed the dealer's family.

LATEST Advice:—Whiteaway Ltd., Law and Co., Ltd. have received a new shipment of belts. The master of the s.s. Kao Samud has a notice. The Bangkok Travelling Agency will sell by auction the stock in trade of the Bangkok Dispensary commencing from the 16th onwards.

It is no more unattainable, Manchuria Daily News, for the Germans to send aeroplanes and submarines in parts to Vladivostok by the trans-Siberian Railway, than to forward submarines of medium size by rail from Germany to Turkey, which latter feat was actually accomplished in the present war. Even Russia herself sent a few submarines although of smaller type, from Vladivostok all the way to European Russia. In a word that transportation of submarines over the Siberian Railways is no longer an untold feat. If taken into small parts, a submarine will have to be re-erected at either a shipbuilding dock or at least a cradle, but a cradle will be constructed with ease at a short notice.

Robbery at Patani.

A correspondent writes:—"On March 18th Mr. Harry Gild of Trengganu was the victim of rather clever thieves while staying in Patani. Mr. Gild left his dispatch box at the shipping agent's house with some other belongings, himself staying at Mr. Herbert Lewis' bungalow. Later he found that the dispatch box had been stolen and news soon spread that a large sum of money in notes and many valuable papers were inside the box. The agent was away the night the box was stolen to meet the usual steamer. There was also lost a few silver things and the takings of the previous night's cinematograph.

Owing to the energy of the Government officials the box was found on April 1st. The bottom had been cut open, perhaps with a sardine-tin opener. No money was found inside and most of the papers had been torn to pieces and stuffed back into the box which had been buried in a dirty ditch, the papers being destroyed by the dirty water."

Swatow Earthquake Relief Fund.

The Hoa Eng Yung Chin Huey beg to acknowledge with thanks receipt of the following sums to the above Fund to-date.

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London, April 9.—Mr. Arthur Henderson, speaking at London, said that the Kaiser and his war lords by the latest attack had drawn the British people together in a consecrated determined effort to destroy militarism. Mr. Henderson abandoned the policy of conciliation which he had hitherto favoured, because the western offensive, following the shameful treatment of Russia proved that organized Prussian brutality was seeking a world domination, threatening the free development of national and international life.

The Royal Turf Club.

Second Race Meeting.

The last day at the Turf Club produced quite good races and all the finishes were close.

It was unfortunate that the last race was run in the dark as it is almost certain that in the uncertain light some chances were interfered with coming round the hasty bend. It probably also made it difficult for jockeys to judge distance, and so time their effort correctly. The light weight Hong Ron, who was said to be not at his best this meeting, won by four lengths in record time.

A feature of the meeting has been the continued success of that honest pony Dhow Harn.

This pony has been out to win every time with the result that it has been given fair chances and has made the best of them.

Gambler, unfortunately has been badly managed, and has not won a race, though he is anything from one to two stone better than Dhow Harn, and is also a game honest pony. Had he been started in the second race, on the last day instead of being kept for the consolation he could hardly have lost it, as he made a very big bid for the seventh race on the first day when giving Dhow Harn two stones, while in the second race on the last day over exactly the same course, he was only asked to give 13 lbs.

It would be a great improvement if there were more trainers and more independent owners, partnerships and one trainer are not calculated to produce good sport and the falling off in the Turf Club lotteries is a sign not to be ignored.

We are glad that the objection to Lily E. was disallowed, as, in our opinion, she won easily at the finish and the cross, if cross there were, made no difference to the chances of the second horse.

The following are the results of the last day's racing:—

1. Siamese Sub. Griffling Race.

6 fur. Handicap. Value Tcs. 250. Mr. V. G. de la Fai Fa Luang (7.0) 1. Phra Pradibaddha's The Worst (5.8) 2. Also ran Sawng Sahai (4.5), Mu Depz (4.0) and Plean (4.0). Won by 1 1/2 lengths in 1 min. 49 sec. Total paid Tcs. 18. Betting 14 to 1. Fai Fa Luang led from the bend and won with plenty in hand.

2. Siamese Ponies Open Race.

6 fur. Handicap. Value Tcs. 250. Khana Chantaburi's Dhow Harn (6.10) 1. His Majesty's Un Chon (7.7) 2. Mai Pradi's Thai Rot (5.0) 3. Also ran Mahlek (6.7), Hong Bon (5.0), Bish (6.7), Sam (5.12) and Buranak (4.0). Won by 3 lengths in 1 min. 39 sec. Total paid Tcs. 12. Betting 14 to 1. Thai Rot led by about twenty lengths up to the straight and collapsed suddenly. The game little Dhow Harn took command at the distance and easily waived off the challenge of Un Chon. There were 1 1/2 lengths between the 2nd and 3rd.

3. R.B.S.C. Aust. Ex-Griffling Race.

5 fur. Handicap. Consolation. Value Tcs. 250. His Majesty's Lily E. (5.6) 1. Phra Gaddhara's Boom Riang (9.0) 2. Also ran Silver Crow (7.6), Bhiswong (8.12) and Sandfly (8.12). Won by 1 1/2 lengths in 1 min. 13 sec. Total paid Tcs. 44. Betting 5 to 1. Bhiswong led up to the bend, then Sandfly came up just the distance post Lily E. and Boom Riang rushed to the front and after a hard fought race Lily E. won by over a length. An objection by the owner of Boom Riang against Lily E. for crossing was not upheld.

4. R.B.S.C. Aust. Griffling Race.

5 fur. Handicap. Consolation. Value Tcs. 250. Phra Gaddhara's Miss Cue (8.5) 1. Mr. Winton's Game Chick (8.0) 2. Won by 1 1/2 lengths in 1 min. 9 3/4 sec. Total paid Tcs. 8. Betting 3 to 1. On. Of Chan was badly left at the start, but managed to come up to the leaders without, however, reaching them sufficiently. Miss Cue won easily in very good time.

5. Open Australian Race.

1 1/2 mile Handicap. Value Tcs. 250. Mrs. Graham's Peg (7.0) 1. Phra Gaddhara's Chaiya (7.0) 2. Also ran Gladys C. (9.0) and Bandon (4.0). Won by 1 length in 2 min. 23 1/2 sec. Total paid Tcs. 24. Betting 3 to 1. Peg led the whole way and won all out by about a length.

6. Siamese Sub. Griffling Race.

4 fur. Handicap. Consolation. Value Tcs. 250. Khana Chantaburi's Sorry Lot 1. Mr. Don's Sawng Sahai 2. Also ran White Star and Plean. Won by a neck. Total paid Tcs. 9. Betting 2 to 1. Sorry Lot and Sawng Sahai raced the whole distance together. Sorry Lot interfered with Sawng Sahai in the last stretch but managed to win by about a neck.

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.")

Man Power Bill.

London, April 10. The House of Commons on April 11th passed a clause of the new Man Power Bill, raising the military age to fifty. The Prime Minister on April 9th, introducing the Bill said that we had now entered the most critical phase of the war. When the present battle began the situation was critical but was relieved by the magnificent conduct of the troops who retired but were not routed. The enemy was preparing a greater attack and the cabinet had taken every step to hasten reinforcements. Enemy statements regarding the number of guns and prisoners were greatly exaggerated. The enemy was seeking a military decision this year at whatever consequences. We had already raised for the naval and military purposes nearly six million men. Government proposed a strict control of essential industries. The Bill would apply to Ireland because the struggle was a common Irish as English. An Irish Self-Government Bill would be introduced immediately. As long as one ship is at sea we will not accept a German peace while, if the present battle is won, the doom of Prussianism is sealed. Mr. Bonar Law said that we had at the beginning of nineteen eighteen in France a very much larger force than at the beginning of nineteen seventeen, but new need for men had arisen. The assumption whereon Government action was based was that the Germans would throw everything into this attack. The most critical time would be the end of May and June.

Ireland.

The Chairman of the Irish Convention presented a report outlining the majority purposes for a scheme of Irish Self-Government which has the support of the Irish Nationalists, South Irish and Unionists and the Irish Labour Party. The scheme provided for the establishment of a parliament for the whole of Ireland with an executive responsible thereto and full powers over all internal legislation and direct taxation. Pending decision of the fiscal question the scheme provides for indirect taxation, but the entire proceeds are to be paid into the Irish exchequer. The principles were agreed upon that Ireland should contribute to Imperial revenue and continue its representation at Westminster but the amount and number are not decided. The scheme provided for an Irish Parliament consisting of a Senate of sixty four members and a House of Commons of two hundred. In the constitution of the Commons the nationalists guarantee forty per cent. membership to Unionists and representation of the southern Unionists, minorities by nomination. The Chairman expressed the hope that his scheme will be forthwith brought to fruition.

Treatment of British Prisoners.

The Foreign Office has published documents proving that the German military authorities are persistently compelling British prisoners to make gun-pits, load ammunition and perform other such work on the German lines while deliberately exposing them to the shell fire of their own countrymen. Despite the contrary undertaking by the German government, many have been killed and the greatest brutality has been exercised towards prisoners, many of whom were shot by Germans or systematically starved. For the purpose of concealing evidence of the whereabouts of these men the German authorities compelled them to date letters from places in the interior of Germany where they have been.

Czernia and Clemenceau.

The Emperor Charles having written to the Kaiser:—"Clemenceau does not hesitate now to make the completely false statement that Austria recognised France had a just claim to the requisition of Alsace."

7. Siamese Ponies Open Race.

4 1/2 fur. Handicap. Consolation. Value Tcs. 250. Phra Song's Hong Ron 1. Phra Pradibaddha's Subhaskara's Mahalek 2. His Majesty's Trilayaron 3. Also ran Ran Poolalay, Gambler, Thai Rot, Thai Rung Boonak, Intawong, Nakavarik and Sam. Won by 3 lengths in 1 min. 8 sec. Total paid Tcs. 61. Betting 8 to 1. This race was run in semi darkness and when the ponies could be seen, about fifty yards from the winning post Hong Ron was leading, and won by a good margin. Mahalek in his usual form took second place from Trilayaron. There was a neck between the 2nd and 3rd.

Lorraine, I disavow the assertion with indignation." The French Government issued an official note, dated April 11th, 1918, by the Emperor Charles to Prince Saxe-Coburg and Gotha, in which he stated:—"To show in precise manner the reality of my attitude, I beg you to convey secretly and unofficially to Poincaré, President of the French Republic, that I shall support by every means, using all my personal influence with my Allies, the French just claims regarding Alsace-Lorraine."

Submarining.

Submarine returns for the week ending April 6th.—Arrivals, 2,534; sailings, 2,495. Sunk over one thousand six hundred tons, four, under six hundred tons; unsuccessfully attacked, eleven. Two fishing vessels were sunk.

British Tonnage.

In the House of Commons on April 9th Mr. Montagu stated that the British tonnage consisted of 1,000,000 tons; in February, 1,000,000 tons; in March, 1,61,671 tons.

The Great Battle.

Operations during the week ending April 11th. Fighting for Amiens and the railway to Saint-Just resulted in very little change, the chief alteration on this front being further east, where the French retired from an attack, which the enemy advanced appreciably. On April 8th a violent bombardment of the line between La Bassee and Armentieres seemed to indicate an attack but it did not develop. On April 9th, however, an attack was launched on a five-thousand yard front aiming at the Peronne division in this centre with a British division on either side. The wings of Ginchy and Flersbaix were held but the enemy, assisted by a thick mist, forced their way through the centre and penetrated beyond the river Lys and Lave Lys. Ginchy was taken on April 10th and later taken by the fifty-fifth division with seven hundred and fifty German prisoners. A further attack was made north of Armentieres between a point east of that town and Garde-Dieu, north of Meuse. On the Meuse front the enemy was checked, but further south he penetrated the British lines capturing Ploeghet-waard. Soldiers therefore were driven on both flanks of Armentieres which made the retention of that town inadvisable. Withdrawal to east was with the line north and south was ordered, resulting in one large salient approximately twenty miles long and four deep. The reason for the extension of attacks northwards is the enemy's intention to destroy the British Army which is clearly his aim. He failed to separate the armies of the Allies and failed to take Amiens, while as regards the solid wall of the Arras front it was imperative for him to find a weaker spot. Vimy is the stronghold which more than any other blocks his way to the west, and since Arras holds he has tried to win his way to the rear of Vimy Ridge through Ginchy and thence to Bethune.

Although there is no sign of cessation of the enemy's offensive against Amiens which was rewarded in due course, it is clear that his main effort was checked and his effort north of the Somme was defeated. His three, though brief, attacks south of the Somme was also completely repulsed. He is now diverting attention from the main front to which he will ultimately return with all force available. The rapid rotation of his divisions is calculated to allow him to be in force a greater number of fresh ones. The more quickly he can reform them the more temporarily he has available. Such a system obviously has its drawbacks and can only be carried out for a limited time. It is one more sign of the German's determination to win the war in this battle and risk all in doing so. The destruction of the British army being his object, serious though the situation is, there is every satisfaction in noting that, so far, the destruction of his own army has proceeded more rapidly. Up to date the British army has been attacked by double the number of enemy divisions, supported by an enormous mass of artillery of all nature. In these circumstances it is not surprising that the enemy has gained undeniable success but at a great price.

Other Fronts.

On other fronts there have been no operations of importance. In Italy an attack is expected to develop in due course and will no doubt coincide as nearly as possible with the maximum German pressure in France and Flanders.

In Palestine, Cerak, east of the Dead Sea was occupied on April 7th by Arabs. A successful raid on the H-jaz railway was magnified into an enemy victory, but nevertheless the British made further advance on a five mile front, capturing villages.

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Havas Wires from Singapore.

"Two Frenchmen."

Paris, April 11.

The New York Tribune, in an editorial headed "Two Frenchmen," editorialized General Foch and M. Clemenceau. It says:—"That General Foch is better qualified than any one else for the high post he occupies is denied by nobody. Our affection and admiration are equal for that other large-hearted Frenchman called Georges Clemenceau. It is not only for France that he symbolizes resistance, but for the Allies he incarnates the supreme resolution. Looking at M. Clemenceau, we understand the spirit of Victory; looking at him we have faith in the victory of our flag."

French Airmen.

The French airmen who now rank first "Ace," with 13 enemy airplanes to his credit, is Lieutenant Foch. The second one is Lieutenant Nungesser, who for some time after Geynemer's death headed the list with 31 aeroplanes. He brought down his 32nd enemy machine at the end of last month.

General Wire News.

Paris, April 8.—A dispatch from the American front says that the enemy on Friday evening attempted at two points to raid the American trenches. The first attack was easily repulsed. The second was allowed to approach close to the wire, then it was opened by the "Amel" and a whole infantry immediately leapt from the trenches and drove back the assailants. The first German trench was cleared and the enemy compelled to retire to their support trenches. The American artillery replied very violently to the enemy artillery, silencing two German batteries.

London, April 8.—Field Marshal Haig reports: "We advanced our line slightly at night time on the south bank of the Somme east of Vierzon Corbie and took prisoner a few units of the Somme work Neville-St. Vitasse. There was increased hostile artillery fire at night time on the whole front with heavy hostile gas shelling between Lens and La Bassee canal also eastward of Armentieres."

London, April 8.—A French communiqué says the night was marked by violent artillery actions notably on the left bank of the Oise.

Paris, April 8.—Semi Official: Hitherto there has been no reason to regard the German attack on hill 344 yesterday as a decisive factor in the coming offensive in this sector. The Chinese Bureau affair does not seem to point to any new departure of a general nature. The great mass of German reserves is still moving towards Amiens which is the goal of the German High Command, though the latter has been momentarily forced to interrupt his forward movement owing to the exhaustion and heavy losses of his troops.

London, April 9.—Hig (aviation): Our low flyers dropped ten tons of bombs and fired many rounds at hostile troops and transport on the battle front. We brought down eight enemies and drove down nine. Four of ours are missing. Such forces dropped 54 tons of bombs on Douai Railway station and Buzume.

London, April 8.—K. news: correspondent at British Headquarters, writing on the evening of April 8, says that the heavy bombardment mentioned earlier died down after an hour, apparently smothered by the violence of our reply. Wet, cold and dreary weather has commenced. It is said that the weather during this offensive is the first time luck in that respect has gone against the Germans.

London, April 9.—French communiqué: The enemy pressure continued north of the A. line in the lower

Coney forest. Our advanced elements resisted and delayed the advance of the enemy who were very superior numerically, inflicting very heavy losses. There was a reciprocal fire of artillery activity on the German front and between Montdidier and Royon.

Moscow, April 8.—The Commissary of Foreign Affairs has formally protested to the Allied representatives as regards the landing at Vladivostok, demanding the immediate withdrawal of the forces.

The Allies replying characterized the landing as a purely local affair due to local complications and said affairs would be soon settled.

Petrograd, April 8.—The Government has proclaimed a state of war throughout Siberia and has ordered Siberian Soviets to organize detachments of Red Guards to resist the Japanese.

Petrograd, April 9.—In response to the Russian protest against the German landing in Finland Germany has demanded that the Russian Baltic Fleet shall leave Finnish waters by April 12. The Council of Comintern has ordered the Fleet to comply.

Washington, April 9.—The State Department learns that the Russian warships blown up off Finland were destroyed after German warships fired upon them. Three of the former were lost.

London, April 8.—The correspondent of the Times at Tangier says the Germans in Morocco made proposals to British and other Allied leaders in the event of a German revolt and a massing of Allied troops to declare the independence of Morocco and nominate a pro-German sultan.

Paris, April 8.—Official: The bombing of one of the long range gun batteries Paris is confirmed from a secure source. It occurred on March 23, and a lieutenant and nine men were killed. The long range bombardment was continued yesterday, but there were no victims.

London, April 9.—A Copenhagen telegram from a seaman reports that a British warship destroyed a Zepplin (Zeppelin).

New York, April 9.—Mr. Duni-Is has announced that over 150 American warships, exclusive of submarine chasers, are now operating in European waters.

Moscow, April 7.—Admiral Kato, commanding the Japanese troops landed at Vladivostok has issued a proclamation stating the troops have come to maintain order.

Petrograd, April 7.—The Council of Comintern is in a mood to accuse Japan of striving to crush the Republic and seize Siberia. It is clear Japan is a deadly enemy of the Republic and says the Council has demanded an explanation from the Allies and their role will influence the Council's foreign policy.

M. Joffe has been appointed Ambassador to Berlin and M. Kamekef to Vienna.

London, April 7.—A Turkish communiqué of April 6 says: After violent fighting we occupied the region of Erlichich on the north shore of Lake Van in the Caucasus and stormed strong point west of Barikamisch, occupied Ardahan, captured thirty-four mortars and a quantity of munitions and crossed the ancient frontier on the shore of the Black Sea in the direction of Batoum.

Petrograd, April 7.—M. Tchicherin, Commissary for Foreign Affairs, sent a wireless message to Berlin protesting against Germany's violation of article six of the treaty of Brest Litovsk guaranteeing the security of the Russian fleet and naval bases in Finnish waters where the Germans have taken great booty.

Amsterdam, April 7.—Field Marshal von Eichhorn has arrived at Kiev to assume chief command of the German troops in the Ukraine.

Petrograd, April 7.—The British consul at Helsingfors has come to Petrograd.

Paddy Crop Report April 13, 1918.

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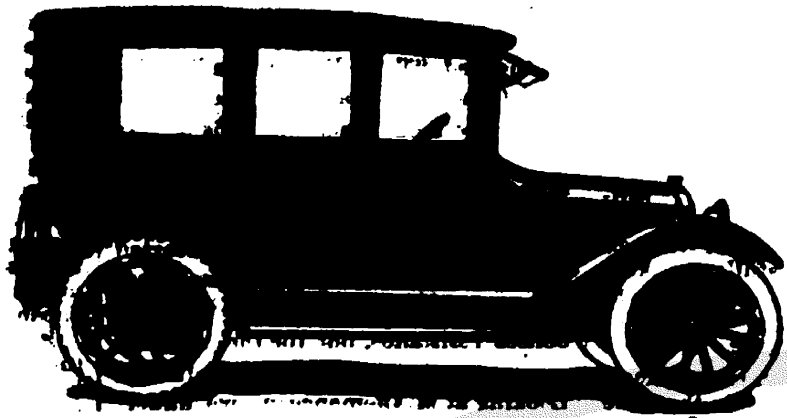
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New Zealand Episode.

How Germans Escaped.

A resident kindly sends us the following interesting story of how German prisoners are treated when interned under the Southern Cross, from a private letter which says:—

A nine letter comedy has been enacted here (Auckland). You of course remember Motuhi Island, near Rongitoto, formerly used as a quarantine station and frequented in summer by picnickers. This place was chosen by the Government for internment a number of well-known citizens of more or less doubtful loyalty. Although more or less confined to the island they had plenty of freedom and picnic parties (composed of their Auckland friends) continued to visit the boys.

None of these civilian Germans were considered dangerous. But later their numbers were increased by some from the enemy launch which was captured off Fiji some three months ago and the ring-leader, the former Count von Lunken, late of the German raider "Sea Adler," was among the number sent to Motuhi; the balance of the crew went to Samoa Island in Wellington Harbour.

It was not long before the astute Count found himself wanting his shipmates, particularly two of mechanical knowledge, and the authorities were induced to transfer them from Wellington to Motuhi. Soon after this our military wise-acres grew alarmed at expenses generally, the cost of the guard at Motuhi, in particular, with the result that their number was reduced from 35 to 24. The Commandant at Motuhi, by name Turner had the arranging of this, so it presumably had his tacit approval.

Commandant Turner had a launch at his disposal, and either he could not drive it, or considered it beneath his dignity to do so, consequently the two mechanics, whom von Lunken had brought from Wellington, were employed for the purpose.

On the day when the 11 Germans escaped from the island, the Commandant had returned to the island about sundown after a day in town, and landed from the launch with the guard 2. He left the pier followed by the guard, leaving the two Germans to take the launch to its mooring and to return by the dinghy.

This sounds like carelessness, but it was nothing of the kind—it was the usual practice.

"Precautions."

Don't think that no precautions were taken. On the contrary the sparking plugs and carburettor were removed from the launch so as to disable it. But this was not done by the Commandant or the guard but by

the Hans, whose duty it was, after having moored the launch and rowed ashore, to carry these pieces of machinery to the Commandant's house for safe keeping.

What occurred might almost have been foreseen. The prisoners failed in their duty to return the sparking plugs to the O. O. but instead ran the launch round the point, picked up the Count and 8 others and sped away. No one saw them go and it was an hour or so later before the escape was suspected, and then it was the fact that the dinghy was floating bottom upwards near the wharf which aroused suspicion. The only means of communicating with the town was by telephone; this the prisoners had not overlooked and they had earthed a wire in a most dense piece of bush thus entirely isolating the island. When this was discovered after several hours the launch had passed beyond all possible reach by the patrol boats at any rate.

We know now that she passed Cape Colville and between there and Tauranga hailed the scow "Moa," got alongside, boarded her and then stood out to sea. When the news of the escape reached Auckland the cobbler steamer "Iria" (which is always of course ready for sea) got a way in good time and as soon as a Tauranga to Auckland scow reported having seen a launch board and apparently take charge of the "Moa" the "Iria" picked up the news by wireless and also stood out to sea. The prisoners were caught, the "Iria" is back in port, and her captives are in Mount Eden.

Does is not read like comic opera!

Official Account.

The official account of the affair is given in the Press as follows:

An official statement regarding the escape of the German prisoners from Motuhi and the recapture of the party was issued this evening as follows:

On the evening of December 13, 11 German prisoners of war, under the leadership of Commander von Lunken, lately in command of the German raider "Sea Adler," made their escape from Motuhi Island, Auckland Harbour, in a motor launch named Pearl, attached to the island. From the "motor boat" they transferred to the sailing scow "Moa," which was seized in the Bay of Plenty, and with which they left the New Zealand coast.

They were recaptured on the evening of Friday, December, 21, in the vicinity of the Kermadec Islands, by an armed vessel despatched by the New Zealand Government to those waters for the purpose, and they arrived this afternoon in Auckland, where they were at once landed.

The crew of the "Moa," consisting of five men and a boy, were still on board their vessel when it was recaptured.

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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 ..	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
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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 ..	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	5.50
Bangkok Arr.	7.30	10.30	1.45	4.45	Paknam Arr.	8.45	11.45	3.00	5.55

*Trains stop only at the request of passengers.
Trains may leave intermediate stations 5 minutes before the stated time.

tured, and state that they have been well treated in every way by the Germans. The "Moa," however, was towed back to Auckland by the capturing vessel, and has suffered no serious damage as a result of her experience.

The motor-boat Pearl, which was being towed by the "Moa," was lost in the heavy weather experienced after leaving the New Zealand coast.

The officer in command of the capturing vessel, in his report, states:—"At about noon on December 21 the Moa's masts were sighted about 15 miles away. As soon as she saw that she was being chased, she stood away to westward under a press of canvas and hoisted the German naval ensign, but we overhauled her in about an hour and a half. As she paid no attention to my signal to stop, I fired a shot across her bows, when she immediately shortened sail and stopped. The German captain, in response to my verbal order came on board in his own boat and formerly surrendered, and the German ensign was then hauled down by the "Moa." The remainder of the crew were then removed by an armed escort. They had a fair amount of provisions with them, and plenty of water, but they had thrown overboard such arms as they possessed as soon as they saw their capture to be inevitable.

"My arrival at Auckland was delayed by having to tow the "Moa" and by continuous heavy westerly weather, which necessitated the ship heaving to for a considerable time."

Turkish-Bath Torture.

Six English prisoners of war who have escaped from Germany and are now home again, relate a new form of punishment devised by their former captors. This was especially rife in the Westphalian mines, where one of the men actually endured it. The punishment was the following form: "The offender is stripped naked and cast into a cell heated with hot air. The walls and roof are double-boarded, with packing between, and when the door is closed the heat is almost suffocating, as the only ventilation is a small hole the size of a five-shilling piece. The man sweats and gasps for a time, and is then taken out just as he is and made to stand or sit in the open, no matter what the weather is. The exposure from one extreme to the other is real torture. If this does not break the man's spirit he is struck on the head with the butt-end of a rifle and knocked unconscious. He is then taken down into the mine, and is not allowed to come to the surface until he has agreed to work."

Ireland's Fighting Strength.

200,000 Fit Men Not in the Army.

Lord Londonderry, speaking at a fancy fair held at Londonderry for war charities, said the members of Irish Convention earnestly desired to remove from the path of the Government a problem that was hampering the successful prosecution of the war.

"I am convinced," he said, "that there is no reason whatever why all legitimate aspirations should not be satisfied, and I believe at the same time that it is possible to bring about the direct association of Irishmen with, and the control by Irishmen of Irish affairs, and I believe that this is not inconsistent with the maintenance of the existing equality of British citizenship as now enjoyed in England, Scotland and Wales."

"I do not believe that in the satisfaction of legitimate aspirations there is any need for the abrogation of that citizenship which Ulster claims on an equality with England, Scotland, and Wales."

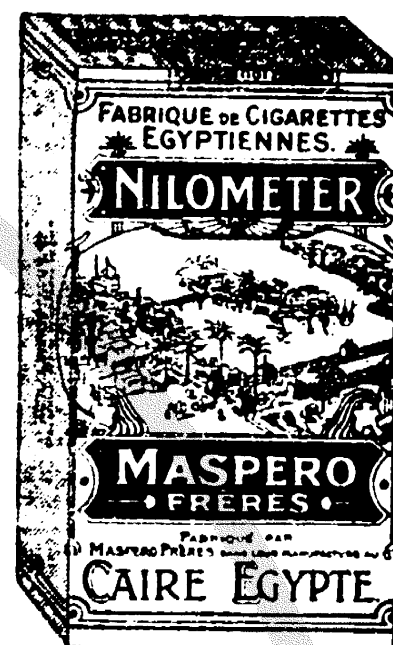
"But in claiming equality of privilege with England, Scotland, and Wales we are also prepared to take a full share in the effort and in the sacrifice of the Empire."

"At the moment it causes men the greatest apprehension that there is in process of making, an indelible stain, that it could ever be said that Ireland has not taken her full share in the war."

"The British Government must use their power to bring Ireland into the war. It is a duty which the British Government owes to Ireland because it is possible to realise that all nations in the world who have stood with the British Empire in the cause of right and humanity will point the finger of scorn at Ireland for generations to come, and any that while we went forward as entities and as communities, while we gave and sacrificed our best, Ireland hung back prepared to enjoy all the privileges for which we fought."

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THE Great War.

New British Representative.

(REUTER'S TELEGRAM.)
London, April 12.

In the Commons, Mr. Bonar Law stated that Major General Sackville-West had been appointed acting British representative on the Supreme War Council at Versailles in place of General Rawlinson.

Czernin and Clemenceau.

(HAYAS TELEGRAM.)
Paris, April 12.

The Austrian official communiqué in supporting the affirmation of Count Czernin and denying the assertion of M. Clemenceau speaks of the agreement of the Austrian Emperor to the just desires of France regarding Alsace-Lorraine as absurd.

The President of the French Council publishes the letter which the Austrian Emperor addressed to Prince Sixte de Bourbon and communicated secretly to Poincaré on March 31st 1917 showing sympathy with France and saying that the Emperor would support by all means the just claims of France concerning Alsace-Lorraine and claiming the entire re-establishment of Belgium, the sovereignty of Serbia with access to the Adriatic and ending by asking Prince Sixte to make known this opinion in France and in England.

Another Horror.

(HAYAS TELEGRAM.)
Paris, April 12.

A shell from the great gun fell on a maternity hospital. Many were killed and wounded.

Meeting of French Committees.

Premier Details Measures.

Paris, March 28.—M. Clemenceau returning from the front where he spent a day with the President of the Republic informed the Ministers of the military situation at a meeting yesterday morning presided over by President Poincaré. The Premier's impression was satisfactory. He stated that since Tuesday night the enemy's effort had been slackening. Afterwards the Premier explained before the Committees of the army and Foreign affairs that he had been in touch with the French and British commands since the first day of the fight and had informed them of measures taken in agreement with the British Commander-in-Chief and General Petain for ensuring effective unity in the direc-

tion of operations. He also stated that the time for action of the Allies reserve was nearing and that he may entertain the hope that the Allies will wrest from the enemy the benefit of gains obtained only at the cost of tremendous human losses, whilst on our side the people will be astonished when they know the small number of divisions engaged on our side and also the slight losses that we have sustained. No gun and no machine-gun has been lost. Government will control the direction of operations minutely and strictly. M. Loucheur, Minister of Armament, being actually near the High Command for that purpose.

"The situation seems hopeful," M. Clemenceau said "though it is serious. The result anticipated by the enemy is not obtained, his attempt to separate the French forces from the British having failed. The slight gap made south of St. Quentin by surprise attack on the Fifth British Army was soon to be filled up. It is obvious that the race

towards Amiens and the sea has considerably slackened and even at many other points the German rush is checked."

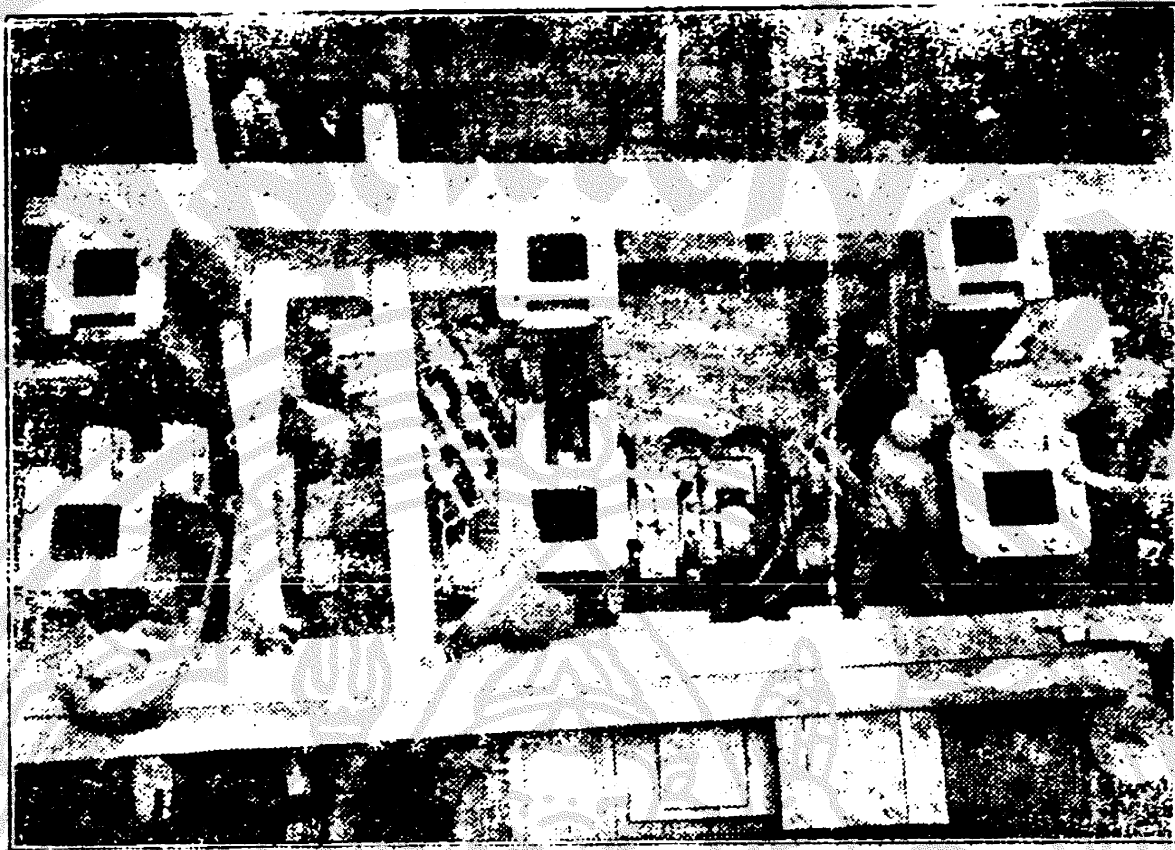
Shanghai Tea Push.

Says the North China Herald: On Musun Road (Shanghai) an enterprising Chinese firm is putting up good black tea in tins, in three grades: tea that may be got from any "compradore" shop. Then spring varieties of green tea will be added to the brands. This is a step in the right direction and may lead to far reaching results if intelligently directed, and extended beyond the merely local field. It was tea in handy packets, handy for the grocery and pantry shelves, alike, originated by an enterprising English firm, that educated the people of England to a taste for Indian tea; that India's tea trade is what it is to-day

may be said to be due in no small measure to the family packet.

China has a long way to go before she recovers the position she held in the tea world before India began to send out tea in tins and the Indian trade eclipsed China's; but who can say the Musun Road firm may not be making China's tea trade history? A local beginning, if capital is not lacking, might readily be extended overseas. It may not be too late to profit by the experience of Japan's tea companies operating in America. Mr. K. Nishi, a commissioner sent to the United States to study tea trade conditions there, for the Central Tea Dealers' Association (Japanese), returned to Yokohama a week ago. He is quoted as saying: "In order to give due publicity to Japanese produce, tea houses were opened in large cities and in popular resorts. This method seemed to have succeeded so that the Japanese products have now out-distanced Chinese and Indian tea. Prices have risen from 13 to 25 cents per lb. on account of the large demand. The American Government contemplated levying a tariff of 10 cents per lb. on tea and coffee imported into the United States, but since the articles were deemed not to be luxuries, the Bill was not approved."

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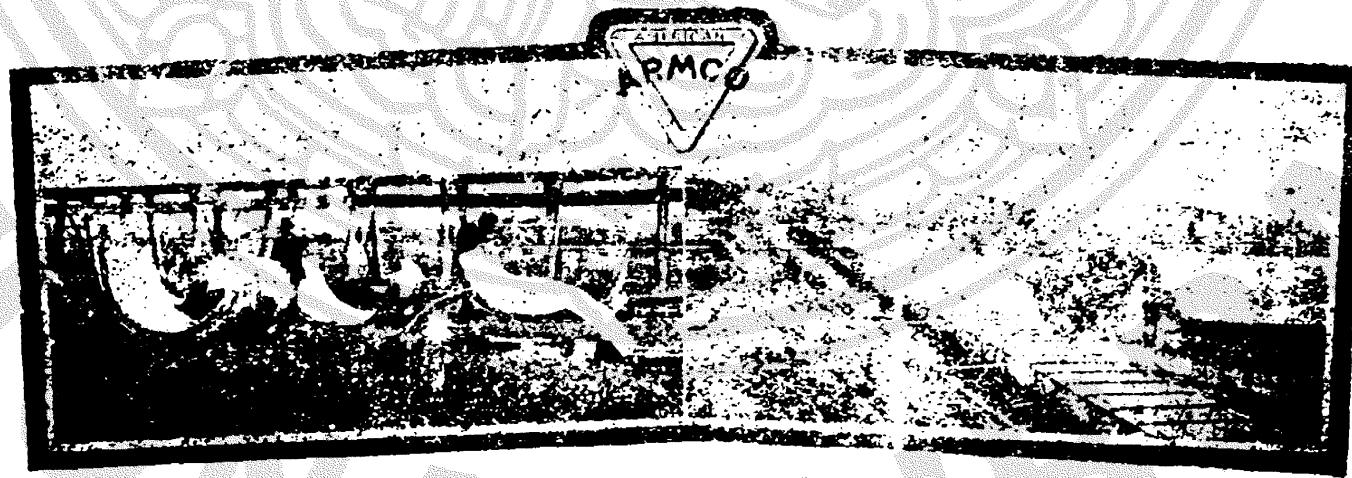
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