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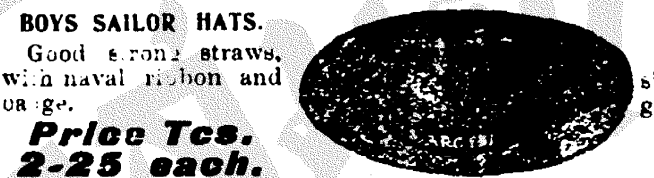
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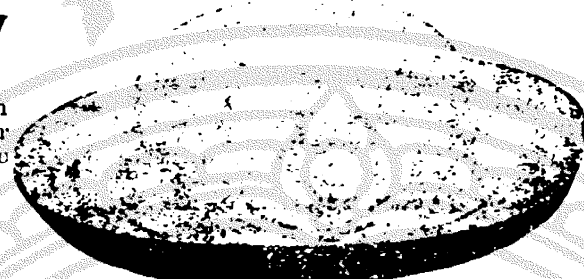
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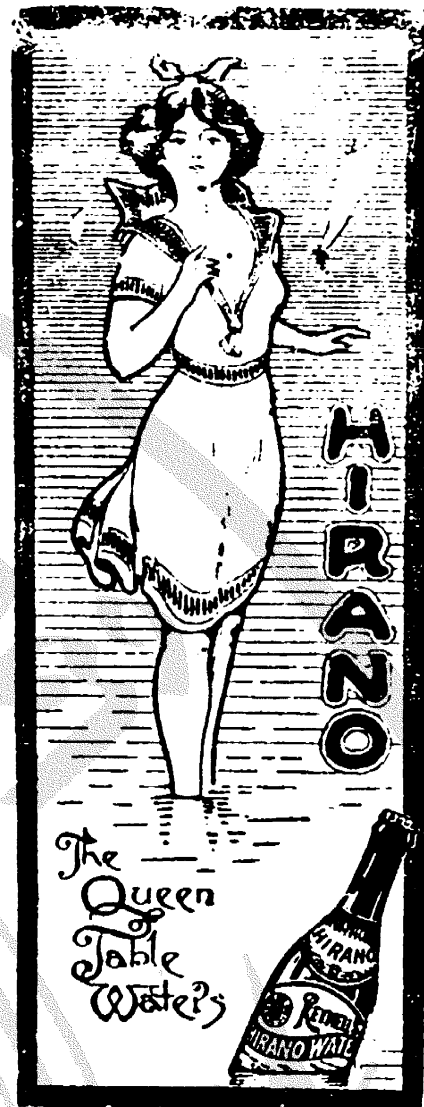
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April	A.M.	
	H. W.	Ft. & in.
1	6 00	13 3
2	2 00	13 6
3	3 00	14 0
4	4 00	14 1
5	4 30	14 6
6	4 30	14 6
7	4 30	14 4
8	5 00	14 0
9	5 00	14 0
10	5 30	14 0
11	6 00	13 10
12	6 00	13 10
13	6 30	13 9
14	6 30	13 6
15	1 00	13 10
16	1 00	14 4
17	2 00	14 4
18	2 20	14 4
19	3 00	14 4
20	3 30	14 0
21	4 00	13 10
22	4 30	13 2
23	5 00	13 2
24	5 30	13 0
25	5 30	13 10
26	5 30	12 10
27	6 00	12 10
28	6 00	12 10
29	6 00	12 6
30	1 00	14 0
31	...	...

P.M.

April	P.M.	
	H. W.	Ft. & in.
1	11 0	12 9
2	12 0	12 6
3	12 0	12 3
4	2 00	11 2
5	2 00	12 6
6	3 30	12 6
7	4 30	13 8
8	5 00	14 6
9	6 00	15 0
10	7 00	15 0
11	8 00	15 2
12	8 30	15 0
13	9 00	14 7
14	10 00	14 0
15	...	...
16	...	...
17	...	...
18	2 00	11 6
19	2 30	12 0
20	4 00	13 0
21	5 00	14 0
22	6 00	14 10
23	7 00	15 0
24	7 30	15 0
25	8 30	15 0
26	9 00	14 10
27	10 00	14 5
28	11 00	14 3
29	...	...
30	...	...
31	...	...

PHASES OF THE MOON.

April 7th O Full Moon 8 h 31 m p.m.
" 15th (Last Quarter) 2 h 52 m a.m.
" 21st O New Moon 8 h 43 m p.m.
" 29th First Quarter 4 h 4 m p.m.

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General Wire News.

London, April 10.—The anniversary of the rebellion passed with less disorder in Ireland than was expected. The republican flag was hoisted on the ruins of the postoffice at Dublin and the city hall at Cork at night but both were removed in the afternoon when a crowd of youths in Dublin stoned the police at various points injuring several and smashed some windows. They stoned a military guard passing along Abbey street. There were large crowds in Dublin many of whom had apparently come from the country to see big happenings but they were disappointed at the stand of the Sinn Feiners who not merely did not participate in the attacks on the police but discouraged the stonethrowers and helped to restore order. In Dublin there was a quiet night.

Washington, April 10. The Democratic leaders on April 12 will introduce in the House of Representatives a five billion dollar bond measure comprising three billion for the Allies, the remainder for United States war expenses. Legislation to facilitate the export of food and munitions to the Entente will be rushed through.

London, April 10.—The battle of Arras is the British reply to the German boast at the time of the Somme retreat that she had completely disarranged the British offensive plans. It should finally dispose of the theory of the pessimists that the initiative rests with the enemy. Nothing was more remarkable in yesterday's battle than the crushing preponderance of British artillery whose fire was described as twenty times heavier than the enemy's whose reply was feeble in comparison. This preponderance coupled with the unreadiness of the German defences on the new line enabled Haig to abandon the methodical siege methods of last year for mobile tactics and to begin the offensive too soon for the Germans to sneak away without fighting as they did on the Somme, Boys salient. That the Germans were surprised appears from the descriptions of distress signals of their infantry when the bombardment prelude the assault opened.

The horizon was lit up with red, white and green rockets and fountains of golden rain calling for artillery help. The weather changed unfavourably for the opening of the assault the drizzle turning to rain and sleet. The battlefield was sheeted in mist driving before the wind. The ground soon became slippery. Our casualties are estimated as nothing comparable with the opening day of the Somme offensive last year. The consequences of the initial victory may be momentous. Already Vimy ridge has been captured, the greatest German fortress in the west, covered with woods and with its sides scarred with ravines sheltering enemy machinegunners and mortars.

From thence the rolling plain stretches to Douai twelve miles distant. The new offensive front is immediately north of the Hindenburg line and threatens to outflank it. It is estimated the gains represent twenty-five square miles.

Petrograd, April 10.—M. Kerenski has stated that the Government will shortly publish a declaration that Russia renounces all territorial expansion but defends to the uttermost the liberty won.

Petrograd, April 10.—The Socialist M. Kerenski, Minister of Justice, attended a meeting of Military delegates and repudiated insinuations that he was insufficiently serve towards partisans of the ex-Tsar. He said he had not arrested the Grand Duke Demetrius Pavlovich because the latter plotted against Rasputin. He did not arrest General Ivanoff because he was old and ill and imprisonment would have killed him. As regards the prisoners at Tsarskoe-selo he had visited them and he assured the delegates that the Guards had promised to obey only Kerenski, while the Commandant of the Palace was his personal friend. M. Kerenski concluded that he would not leave the Ministry wherein he represented the democracy until he was assured of the foundation of the Republic. The delegates gave him an ovation and voted confidence in him.

Rio de Janeiro April 10.—Mr. Muller subsequently conferred with the War Minister.

Rio de Janeiro, April 10.—After a conference with the War Minister Herr Muller telegraphed to the Ambassador in Paris urgently requesting a report as to the sinking of the Parana. It is expected a rupture with Germany will be announced immediately on receipt of the report to day probably followed by confiscation of German ships.

New York, April 10.—The action of Cuba has affected all Latin America. Guatemala, Nicaragua, Salvador and Honduras are experiencing great anti-German waves of feeling. It is expected Brazil's entry will be the signal for all the republics.

Washington, April 10.—Bulgaria has severed relations with the United States.

London, April 11.—As details of the Arras battle are unfolded two significant facts emerge, firstly the supreme spirit and behaviour of the men, secondly the superb generalship of the leaders. As regards the first the infantry talk with the utmost admiration of the artillery, while the gunners speak almost adoringly of the airmen and these tell in glowing terms of the splendour of the infantry advance and the magnificent audacity of the tanks. There is no complaint and no criticism among the fighting troops, only universal admiration and content. There has been no battle on this scale fought by the British army hitherto in this war.

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	Dep.	Arr.	Dep.	Arr.		Dep.	Arr.	Dep.	Arr.
Bangkok	7.00	9.48	1.25	3.33	Lampang	Dep.	7.33
Ayuthia	Arr. 9.3	11.41	3.33	5.45	Den Chai	12.38
Ban Phaji	Arr. 9.47	12.20	4.24	6.30	Tha Sao	...	...	7.1	2.21
Ban Phaji	Dep. 9.57	12.37	4.30	...	Utaradit	...	...	7.18	2.40
Lopburi	Arr. 11.5	1.55	5.48	...	Ban Dara	Arr.	...	8.18	3.26
Chengkhet	Dep. 12.33	3.38	...	a.m.	Sawa-loke	Dep.	...	...	a.m.
Pak'poh	Arr. 2.17	5.40	...	7.25	Ban Dara	Arr.	...	...	7.20
Pak'poh	Dep. 2.26	6.30	...	...	Ban Dara	Dep.	...	...	a.m.
Pitas'loke	Arr. 6.0	11.5	...	...	Pitas'loke	Arr.	...	...	10.43
Pitas'loke	Dep. 7.4	2.2	...	...	Pitas'loke	Dep.	...	...	a.m.
Ban Dara	Arr. 9.5	4.18	...	...	Pak'poh	Arr.	...	...	6.20
Ban Dara	Dep. 9.20	4.40	...	...	Pitas'loke	Dep.	...	...	a.m.
S'kaloke	Arr. 10.21	5.41	...	...	Pak'poh	Dep.	...	...	7.20
Ban Dara	Dep. 9.10	4.26	...	...	Chengkhet	Arr.	6.21	...	9.22
Utaradit	...	10.6	5.22	...	Lopburi	Dep.	...	7.10	1.56
Tha Sao	Arr. 10.15	5.38	...	...	Ban Phaji	Arr.	...	8.30	12.21
Den Chai	...	11.57	...	...	Korat	Dep.	p.m.	a.m.	a.m.
Lampang	...	4.52	...	...	Lat Bua Kao	Arr.	5.55	...	8.40
Ban Phaji	Dep. 10.10	12.30	4.41	...	Gengkol	Dep.	...	7.12	11.32
Gengkol	Arr. 11.7	1.26	5.51	...	Ban Phaji	Arr.	...	8.22	12.29
Lat Bua Kao	Dep.	...	4.2	...	Ban Phaji	Dep.	...	8.37	12.44
Korat	...	...	6.8	...	Ayuthia	...	7.13	9.25	1.23
Bangkok	Dep. 7.45	...	...	3.50	Hangkong	Arr.	9.28	11.35	3.16
Petrieu	Arr. 9.33	...	...	5.38	Petrieu	Dep.	7.50	...	...
					Bangkok	Arr.	9.38	...	5.45

wherein every unit has triumphantly obtained its immediate objective. All this bespeaks hard work and tireless self-improvement by all ranks of the army.

Monday's victory indeed is the result of a perfected tactical method as practised by the French at Verdun and the British on the Ancre and at Arras namely, the method of enabling the strongest field fortresses to be captured with less loss to the attackers than to the defenders. It discredits the theory once favoured that generalship is nowadays less important in war and that there are no great British generals. The tactical achievement of Haig and his able staff seconded by a remarkable group of army commanders is now thoroughly appreciated and confidence is universal that their deeper strategic conceptions will be no less decisively vindicated before long. It is now seen that it is the Germans who are being strategically out-played on the western front.

London, April 11.—The New York was mined on Monday evening during dinner. There was a terrific explosion in the forepart causing a large hole below the waterline. As the sixty passengers, including women and children, took their places in the boats in the most orderly manner and wireless brought help, the passengers were transhipped in safety and the New York was towed to the Mersey and docked.

London, April 11.—Sir R. Borden interviewed by Reuters said: The great victory just won in France is a glorious beginning of the renewed British offensive and is specially interesting to me as months ago I saw the Vimy ridge and realised from what I saw and was told the strength of the positions and the tremendous task which lay before the Canadians in undertaking to carry it. All Canada will be thrilled with pride by the glorious achievements of our expeditionary force. With equal pride we heard tidings of the splendid success which attended the efforts of all the British forces. When I was in France General Haig asked me to visit the battlefields of the Somme in order to realise what had been accomplished. My visit convinced me that the men who captured the positions I then saw in our occupancy could not be stayed in their next advance.

London, April 11.—The annual meeting representing over a hundred Chambers of Commerce of the United Kingdom has sent to the first Lord of the Admiralty a copy of a resolution expressing profound admiration for the services of the Navy and heartfelt gratitude for the way the fleets have protected our country and commerce

and safeguarded the lives of our families and ourselves, and associates with the expression of thanks the Mercantile Marine.

Admiral Beatty replied that all ranks valued most greatly this tribute to the work of the fleet.

Our Enemy: The German People.

London, April 11.—Appalling revelations of the systematic brutality of German women and Red Cross men towards British wounded have been made to the Berne correspondent of the Times by scores of British soldiers of all ranks released from German prison camps. On the long journey of British wounded through Germany, it was a common amusement of these women to tempt our men who were in the last extremity of hunger and thirst by holding out food and drink to try and make them snatch thereat and then withdrawing it. Many wounded begging for drink had coffee, water or soup tendered them and then at the last moment the gentle nurse would spit in the cup or glass. Frequently wounded men had to drink this defiled stuff while the women looked on and laughed.

An equally common entertainment with these women was to offer a wounded man a glass of water and then pour it slowly on the ground. Cases of physical maltreatment of British wounded by German nurses were just as common and systematic as refusal to give them nourishment. The nurses not only refused to attend to the British wounded, but regularly insulted and spat at them, and frequently even struck and kicked the bandaged limb in order to give pain. The truth is that the German Red Cross is merely a branch of German militarism. It has prostituted a sacred sign, shamed its name, and forfeited all right to be regarded as an organisation of humanity.

London, April 6.—The Press Bureau states that an aeroplane passed over Kentish coast towns, at 10.45 yesterday night. She dropped eight bombs, the majority on the open country. There were no casualties and no damage.

London, April 10.—French Salonika communique: There was a most active artillery struggle in the Monastir and Cerna sector. A German battalion attacked the Russians after powerful artillery preparation, but were stopped dead at the wire entanglements by machine gun fire.

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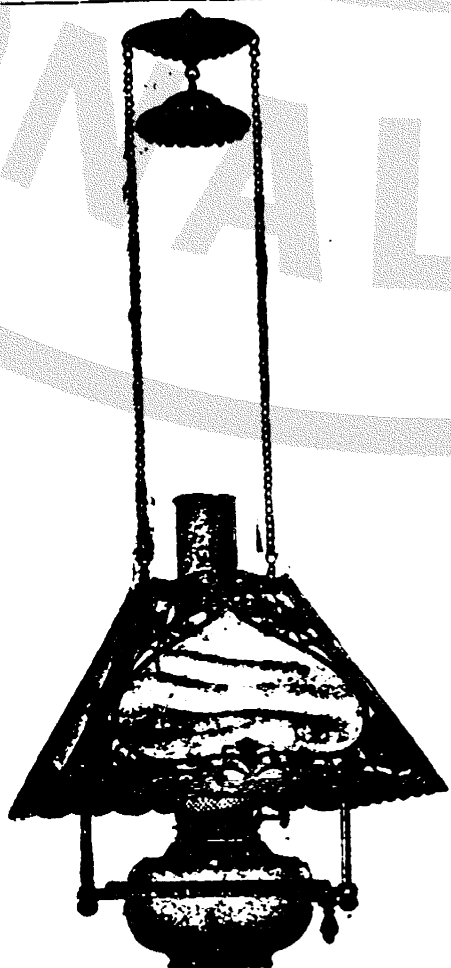
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A SPIRITUAL REVIVAL.

Last year the Bishops of the Scottish Episcopal Church urged the clergy and laity to take part in a movement known as the "Call to Religious Revival." Previous to this the National Mission had been initiated by the Church of England. In both cases the response has been marked. It is certain that the ordeal of warfare is having a great effect upon the nations engaged in it, and is influencing their inner lives very largely. Men in the trenches may laugh and joke and outwardly present a careless demeanour; but nevertheless, it is impossible that they should not secretly direct their minds to the things that matter most of all, knowing that they are face to face with Death and at any moment may be swept by his scythe into the grim harvest. There must be times when, even with the most heedless insouciance gives place to reflections upon the greater issues of existence. It cannot be otherwise, though it is not likely that there is much to make it apparent on the surface, since men, especially Englishmen, commonly hide their deeper feelings. But there are indications of other sorts, and one of the most remarkable of these is the rapprochement which has taken place between the French nation and the Church, amounting to what may almost be termed a rebirth of Catholicism in France after many years of persecution at the hands of the Government and indifference on the part of the people. But the French soldiers have fought side by side with French priests and have seen the courage and devotion with which they have done their duty; they have spilt their blood on the same fields, and the crimson streams have mingled and united them in a common sympathy whose bonds shall never be broken. The priesthood has earned for itself such respect and even affection that it is a familiar sight to witness whole companies of men, educated in the schools of a country which had scornfully eliminated the very name of God from all its text-books kneeling humbly to receive absolution ere going into an engagement; and M. Ribot spontaneously declared in the French parliament that the clergy of France, poor though they are, have cheerfully cast the contents of their meagre purses upon the national altar in the true spirit of patriotism. It certainly seems likely that one effect of the War will be a pronounced revival of religion, and this is the more probable in that the world has in a measure been preparing for it. The crass materialism of the nineteenth century is entirely out of date. No person of intelligence nowadays holds such views, and the very general interest taken in speculations concerning all matters relating to the subjective side of life and the universe is remarkably evidenced by the frequency with which they are made the theme of works of fiction which are not only intended to have a large circulation but succeed in attaining an end so eminently desirable for both author and publisher. This has resulted in the formation of a very recep-

tive soil for the seeds which are now falling upon it. Even as the blood of the martyrs is the seed of the Church, so may the blood of the heroes of to-day be the seeds of a humanity of to-morrow, not nobler or more self-sacrificing at the time of crisis, for that would be impossible, but never forgetful of loftier things when walking along the meaner paths of daily life. If that be so the gallant dead may not, perhaps, have died in vain. They will not have if, as the outcome of the war, the world is brought to a closer and more practical realisation of those teachings which have been given to it both by Christ and the Buddha alike.

Court Circular.

April 17th, 1917.

To-day His Majesty the King was graciously pleased to depute Colonel Phya Surawongse, A. D. C., to represent him at the obsequies of the late Commander Luiz Leopoldo Flores, Chargé d'Affaires for Portugal.

LOCAL AND GENERAL.

H. R. H. PRINCE Paribatra (Nakon Sawan) was amongst those who called yesterday afternoon at the Portuguese Legation.

THE s.s. Kuala will leave from the Borneo Company's wharf at 4 p.m. sharp, on Friday the 20th inst., and should arrive in Singapore on Tuesday.

MR. A. J. FLORES, Acting Charge d'Affaires for Portugal, and family wish to convey their thanks to all those who attended the funeral of the late Commander Flores, and for their kind expressions of sympathy in their sad bereavement.

NEW advice.—Messrs. Whiteaway, Laidlaw and Co. have a new stock of straw hats. Complete change of programme to-night at the Phathanakorn. The Mitsui Bussan Kaisha, Ltd. have a notice re their representative in Bangkok. The Borneo Co., Ltd. have a notice to consignees.

Bulgars Turn on Germans.

London, April 11.—Reuter's representative at French Headquarters in Macedonia says, according to reliable information, owing to popular dissatisfaction with German tyranny, rioting has broken out in several towns in Bulgaria, especially at Sofia, where the German cavalry charged the crowd. During the first of these demonstrations, which are spreading, there were numerous casualties. The Bulgarian troops in some cases sided with the population and refused to attack the demonstrators and even joined them.

Spain Acts for Austria in U. S. A.

Washington, April 9.—Sweden probably takes over Austrian interests in the United States. The break is accepted as a prelude to a declaration of war, and a similar situation is expected with respect to Turkey and Bulgaria.

Washington, April 9.—A dispatch from the American Minister in Switzerland announces that Austria broke off relations on April 8, Spain taking over the United States interests in Austria.

Washington, April 9.—The Austro-Hungarian charge d'affaires has demanded his passports.

The Position in Russia.

London, April 11.—Although the Russian censorship permits the passing of all news, people in London find it a difficulty to appreciate the exact situation in Russia, which, indeed, is tolerably complex. The declarations of the Provisional Government demonstrate its firm determination to uphold the treaties with the Allies and carry the war to victory; to promote discipline in the army and productivity in the munitions factories by the use of every means in their power. But the Government is also faced with the adverse influences of the Extremists, who talk wildly of the brotherhood of man and peaceful union with the German socialists and other Utopian projects. These extremists are mainly represented by the Council of Workmen and Soldiers. What is unknown is the backing these have in the army, if any. Apparently, however, they are mainly nondescript malcontents. Others are of a Jacobin type, whose heads have been turned by the social upheaval. German secret efforts to approach and influence these are unlikely to succeed in view of the steadfastness of the Government comprising the best elements in Russia.

The Sky Meeting.

The following are the entries for the forthcoming race meeting:—

First Day (Wed. April 25.)

First Race.—Siam Ponies 4 fur. Value Tcs. 200.—Unicorn, Son Chai, Khone Loi, Plawng, Hiri, Sip Hok, Sangathit II, Bluff, Viriya, Peter Simple, Ling Deng, Sasi, Ravi.
2nd Race.—Australian Sub. Griffins 4 fur. Value Tcs. 250.—Lily E., Merrylegs, Yot Rak, Khanda, Plain Jane, Ratta Dara (late Red Star), Reve d'Or, Betty.
3rd and 4th Races.—Australian Ponies (open 14.2 and under) 6 fur. If more than 10 entries to be divided into two classes. Value Tcs. 250.—Gladys C., Flirt, Mad Meg, Buffalo Bill, Thong Dee, Royal Page, Iowit, The Accelerator, Lady de Melbe, Moment, Laksoes.
5th Race.—Aust. Sub. Griffins R.C. Value Tcs. 250.—Lily E., Say When, Khanda, Molly.
6th Race.—Aust. Ponies (open 14.2 and under) 5 fur. Value Tcs. 250.—Nai Chan, Mad Mez, Phung Boon, Royal Flash, Sandfly, Moment.

Second Day (Sat. April 28.)

1st Race.—Siam Ponies, Royal Turf Club Sub. Griffins: the property of the Royal Bangkok Sports Club 4 fur. Value 1st Tcs. 150, 2nd Tcs. 50.—Poo Thalay, Pinhiran, Ling Dum, Yammoo, Kit, Morakot.
2nd Race.—Siam Ponies 3 fur. Tcs. 200.—Unicorn, Son Chai, Khone Loi, Plawng, Ottappa, Sip Hok, Sangathit II, Bluff, Viriya, Ling Deng, Sasi, Ravi.
3rd Race.—Aus. Sub. Griffins 5 fur. Tcs. 250.—Lily E., Merrylegs, Yot Rak, Khanda, Plain Jane, Ratta Dara, Reve d'Or.
4th Race.—Aus. Ponies. (Open 14.2 and under) R. C. Tcs. 250. If more than 10 entries to be divided into two classes. Gladys C., Mad Meg, Thong Dee, Royal Page, Iowit, Royal Flash, The Accelerator, Lady de Melbe, Laksoes.
5th Race.—Say When, Merrylegs, Khanda, Molly.
6th Race.—Aus. Sub. Griffins R. C. Tcs. 250.—Gladys C., Flirt, Buffalo Bill, Royal Page, Royal Flash, The Accelerator, Sandfly, Moment.

Third Day (Wed. May 2.)

1st Race.—Siamese Ponies 6 fur. Tcs. 200.—Unicorn, Son Chai, Khone Loi, Plawng, Ottappa, Sip Hok, Sangathit II, Bluff, Ling Deng, Sasi, Ravi.
2nd Race.—Aus. Sub. Griffins 4 fur. Tcs. 250.—Lily E., Say When, Yot Rak, Khanda, Plain Jane, Reve d'Or, Betty.
3rd Race.—Aus. Ponies (Subs. Griffins and ex-Griffins: (Winners King's Cup barred) 5 fur. Tcs. 250.—Marie L., Vittoria, Icaro II, Phung Boon, Khanda, Sandfly.
4th and 5th Races.—Aus. Ponies (open 14.2 and under) 7 fur. Tcs. 250. (If more than 10 entries to be divided into 2 classes).
Gladys C., Flirt, Nai Chan, Mad Mez, Buffalo Bill, Thong Dee, Royal Page, Iowit, Royal Flash, The Accelerator, Lady de Melbe, Laksoes.
6th Race.—Aus. Sub. Griffins. 6 fur. Tcs. 250.—Lily E., Merrylegs, Say When, Khanda, Ratta Dara, Molly.

Fourth Day (Sat. May 5.)

1st Race.—Siam Ponies. Royal Turf Club Sub. Griffins: the property of members of R. B. S. C. 6 fur. Value 1st Tcs. 150, 2nd Tcs. 50.—Poo Thalay, Sip Hok, Pinhiran, Morakot, Ling Dum, Yammoo, Kit.
2nd Race.—Siam Ponies R. C. Value Tcs. 200.—Unicorn, Son Chai, Khone Loi, Plawng, Ottappa, Sangathit II, Bluff, Ling Deng, Sasi, Ravi.
3rd Race.—Aus. Griffins and ex-Griffins (King's Cup winners barred) R. C. Value Tcs. 250.—Lily E., Vittoria, Icaro II, Khanda, Sandfly, Reve d'Or.
4th Race.—Aus. Ponies. (open 14.2 and under) 1 1/2 miles 1st Tcs. 300; 2nd Tcs. 100.—Gladys C., Flirt, Mad Mez, Royal Page, Iowit, The Accelerator, Lady de Melbe, Laksoes.
5th Race.—Consolation. Entries on course.
6th Race.—Aus. Sub-Griffins: Selling Race 6 fur. value Tcs. 250.—Merrylegs Tcs. 200, Plain Jane Tcs. 250, Betty Tcs. 300.
7th Race.—Substitute Race. Details will be published later.

Neutrals' Difficulties Growing.

Buenos Aires, April 11.—While the Argentine intends to maintain neutrality united (until) her own rights are violated, Government has issued a declaration sympathizing with the motives of the United States in declaring war.

Madrid, April 11.—The entry of the American republics into the war has seriously increased the difficulties of Spain, the greater part of whose supplies of grain and coal have recently come from America.

Copenhagen, April 11.—The Swedish Government has taken control of all fats, stocks of maize and rice, and the daily rations will henceforth be seven ounces of hard or eight ounces of soft bread.

Canada's Enlistments.

Toronto, April 11.—It is officially announced that 449,074 Canadians have enlisted.

Great War.

West Front.

(REUTER'S TELEGRAM.)

London, April 17.
Field Marsh Haig reports: We captured Villaret village south-eastward of Harge court and progressed north-westward of Lens. Our booty captured at Lievin and Souchez river is very great and includes a six-inch naval gun, many trench mortars, ammunition and truck loads of tools. The enemy's attack on Monchy-le-Prenx on Saturday was of the most determined character. The third Bavarian division which fought at Loos in 1915 and at Highwood in 1916, was ordered to retake the village at all costs but it suffered the heaviest of losses.

(“S. O.” SPECIAL CORRESPONDENT.)

Singapore, April 17.
The “Times” correspondent says that the result of the first phase of the Arras battle was the storming of the Germans' strongest positions over a front of twelve miles and the turning of the northern end of the Hindenburg line.

(HAYAS TELEGRAM.)

Paris, April 16.
We made progress to the south of the Oise and towards the east of the plateau situated between Barisis and Quincy la Bassée.

The artillery action is extremely violent between Soissons and Reims. We repulsed two surprise attacks in Champagne to the east of Auberive and took prisoners. We penetrated the enemy lines at several points in Lorraine and Alsace and brought back prisoners and material.

The Belgians have penetrated up to the second enemy line at Dixmude. The British made progress yesterday to the north of Guicourt also in the wood of Havincourt and to the east of Lievin and have reached the borders of Lens. In the course of a counter-attack by the Germans on the Cambrai-Bapaume route, they inflicted considerable losses on the enemy who left 1,500 dead and lost 500 prisoners.

To-day the British captured Villaret and progressed to the northwest of Lens. Yesterday they captured important material in the region of Lievin.

Great French Offensive Begun.

(REUTER'S TELEGRAM.)

London, April 17.
Reuter's correspondent at Headquarters states that the great offensive has begun.

President Wilson's Appeal.

(HAYAS TELEGRAM.)

Paris, April 16.
Washington.—President Wilson's appeal to the American people calls upon the men, women and children to unite themselves for the preservation of the national ideal.

Mexico Remains Neutral.

(HAYAS TELEGRAM.)

Paris, April 16.
Mexico.—The Government of Mexico has declared that it will preserve its neutrality in the world conflict.

France and United States.

(HAYAS TELEGRAM.)

Paris, April 16.
The Deputy M. André Tardieu has been nominated High Commissioner of France to the United States for the purpose of co-ordinating all technical measures in France and America and directing the French missions to the United States.

“When Knights Were Bold”?

London, April 11.—The death is announced of the actor James Welch.

Borden at Edinburgh.

London, April 11.—Sir R. Borden, General Smuts, and the Maharaja of Bikanir have been presented with the freedom of the City of Edinburgh, the Lord Provost presiding over a great assembly of citizens in Usher Hall.

Sir R. Borden said that he and his fellow delegates had come to sit at the great council board of the nation, to discuss vital questions of common concern. One of them was an Indian Prince, invested with the splendid traditions of race and ancestry, and united to the British Crown by ties of fealty and devotion which were never more strikingly manifested than during the past three years. Another was a distinguished soldier and statesman, who had served the Empire splendidly for many years in both capacities, although he had previously fought against us to the best of his great ability. To-day he and General Botha were great assets of the Empire and the world.

He made a very reassuring statement of the conditions of the flying service was recently given to the Imperial War Cabinet and the position disclosed might be summarised as follows: The machines we are turning out today are equal if not superior to any the Germans possessed, and are being produced at a rapidly increasing rate. The average efficiency of the machines we are now using is equal to the average of German machines. A very important fact to remember was that the British air service was undertaking extensive duties of vital importance to the operations in the field, which were not being carried out and never had been attempted, at least to anything like the same extent, by the German air service.

A more extensive service in the air is thus carried on for essential purposes. It must inevitably be attended with increased losses and the real question was regarding the value of the information thus obtained, compared with the loss sustained. The military authorities entertained no doubt about that.

The speaker emphasised the profound influence of the war upon the Empire, bringing about an important advance in constitutional relations, uniting in earnest endeavour for common good, Britain, the Dominions and India. It would also draw the British and American Commonwealths closer together. He also emphasised the need after the war of a closer attention to the potentialities of the vast and varied resources of the Empire. We must take stock of them and exercise an effective control over them, utilise them to the highest national advantage.

The fact that his and General Smuts' conception regarding the future constitutional relations were substantially the same, despite the widely differing conditions of bringing up, was an evidence of the broad foundation of liberty, justice, autonomy and unity on which the British Empire stood secure. Referring to the entry of the United States into the war, he declared that it must profoundly affect not only the war but the future Empire. America's entry, after every possible effort consistent with honour and self respect to avoid war, is a convincing proof that the spirit of German military autocracy was inhuman, devilish and must be cast out. The Germans must at any cost be taught that the madness which they would seek to impose upon the conscience of mankind was the creed of the jungle and could only lead to self-destruction.

General Smuts in replying referred to his recent visit to France and said that he saw the opening phase of the great battle. German organization had been overtaken and notwithstanding the heaviest bombardment in the world's history, in the evening he found that the amount of our shells had actually increased. He declared that we also had the mastery of the air and he never saw an enemy aeroplane.

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India's Delegates in England.

London, April 3.—The Indian delegates had a reception at the National Indian Northbrook Societies. Sir J. Meston said that the warmth of their reception in England far exceeded their expectations. The Maharaja of Bikanir said he was especially pleased to meet his young student fellow countrymen, on whom devolved the responsible task not only of serving the motherland in the future but of helping to strengthen and foster cordial relations between the East and West, so essential to the well-being of the British Empire. India must always remember their membership of their great Empire, to which all were proud to belong. The Premier and Ministers of the self-governing Dominions had joined in the warmest possible welcome to them. Their young countrymen might be assured of the good will of all parts of the Empire to India and to Indians.

Sir R. Sinha said that the students had the honour and loyalty of India in their keeping. Let them not be tarnished. The best way to serve the motherland was to show the English

that they were devoted sons of the Empire.

The Americas and Germany.

Santiago de Chile, April 10.—It is authoritatively announced that Chile will remain neutral if not directly attacked.

Washington, April 10.—Mr. McAdoo announces the issue of five billion 34 per cent. dollars bonds of which three billions will be used as early as possible to establish a credit for the Allies, and will be exchanged at par for Allies bonds now outstanding which bear greater actual interest charges.

President Wilson has formally approved the Shipping Board's programme for the construction of a fleet of a thousand wooden ships, each of three thousand tons, ready in five months.

Congress has authorised the expenditure of ten millions sterling for this purpose.

Rio de Janeiro, April 10.—Diplomatic relations with Germany have been broken off.

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Greeting to America.

London, April 12.—The American Luncheon Club entertained Mr. Lloyd George at luncheon.

The American Ambassador presided and the toasts of the King and the President were received with prolonged cheering and the singing of the National Anthems. The guests included General Smuts, Sir R. Borden and several Cabinet Ministers.

The American Ambassador said: We have set out to help in the enterprise of saving the earth as a place worth living in. (Loud cheers). We come in answer only to the high call of duty, not for any material reward or territory or indemnity or conquest or anything. We have only the high duty to succour Democracy when it is desperately assailed. (Cheers.)

The Premier, who was received with loud cheers and waving of handkerchiefs, said: I am in the happy position of being the first British Minister who, speaking on behalf of the people of this country, can salute the American nation as comrades in arms (cheers). I am glad not merely because of the stupendous resources America will bring to the succour of the alliance, but I rejoice as a Democrat (cheers). The advent of the United States into the war gives the final stamp and seal to the character of the conflict as a struggle against military autocracy throughout the world (cheers).

This is the straightest struggle for liberty which America has ever embarked upon (cheers). Most of the great wars of the past were waged for domestic aggrandisement and conquest. The fact that the United States has made up its mind finally, makes it abundantly clear to the world that this is no such struggle, but a great fight for human liberty (cheers). The United States naturally did not know at first what we had endured in Europe for years, from this military caste in Prussia. Prussia is not a democracy (laughter). The Kaiser promises that it will be a democracy after the war. I think he is right (laughter and cheers).

But Prussia is not merely not a democracy. Prussia is not a State. Prussia was an army (hear hear). It had great industries, highly developed, a great educational system and great universities. All of these were subordinate to the one great predominant purpose of an all conquering army, which would intimidate the world. The army was the spear-point of Prussia; the rest was merely the haft. That is what we had to deal with. It got on the nerves of Europe.

It was an army that in recent times had waged three wars, all for conquest. The lucent tramp of its legions

through the streets of Prussia and on its parade grounds had got into the Prussian head. The Kaiser when he witnessed it on a grand scale in reviews got drunk with the sound of it. He delivered the law to the world as if Potsdam were a new Sinai and he uttering the law from a thundercloud. Make no mistake, Europe knew the whole time what it meant: what she did not know was the moment it would come.

This is the menace, this the oppression from which Europe has suffered for fifty years. It paralysed the beneficent activities of all States which ought to have been devoted to and concentrated upon the wellbeing of their people. France! No one can tell except Frenchmen what they endured from this tyranny, patiently, gallantly, with dignity, until the hour of deliverance came. The best energies of democratic France had been devoted to defending itself against the impending terror. This is the state of things we had to encounter.

The most characteristic of all Prussian institutions is the Hindenburg line (laughter). What is the Hindenburg line? It is a line drawn in the territories of other people with a warning that the inhabitants of those territories cross it at peril of their lives. That line has been drawn in Europe for fifty years. Europe which had endured this for generations made up its mind at last that the Hindenburg line must be drawn along the legitimate frontiers of Germany herself (cheers). There could be no other attitude than that for the emancipation of Europe and the world.

At last America was forced to endure the same experience as Europe. Americans were told they would not be allowed to cross and recross the Atlantic except at their peril. American ships were sunk without warning. American subjects were drowned, hardly with apology, in fact as a matter of German right. At first Americans could hardly believe it; they could not think it possible that any man should behave in that manner.

They tolerated it once, they tolerated it twice, until at last it became clear that the Germans really meant it. Then America acted, and acted promptly (cheers). The Hindenburg line was drawn along the shores of America and Americans were told they must not cross it, and America said: "What is this?" (laughter).

Germany said: "This is our line beyond which you must not go." America said: "The place for the Rhine (cheers) and we must help you roll it up," and they have started (cheers).

There are two great facts which clinch the argument that this is a great

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cracy in Britain shrank from it and shuddered and would never have entered the cauldron but for the invasion of Belgium. Democracy sought peace, strove for peace, and if Prussia had been a democracy there would have been no war (cheers). But strange things have happened in this war, and there are stranger things to come, and they are coming rapidly. There are times in history when this world spins so leisurely along its destined course, that it seems for centuries to be at a standstill.

There are also times when it rushes along at a giddy pace, covering the track of centuries in a year. These are such times. Six weeks ago Russia was an autocracy: she is now one of the most advanced democracies in the world (cheers). To-day we are waging the most devastating war the world has ever seen. To-morrow, not perhaps a distant to-morrow, war may be abolished for ever from the category of human crimes (loud cheers). This may be something like the fierce outburst of winter which we are now witnessing before the complete triumph of the summer. It was written of those gallant men who won that victory on Monday, men from Canada, Australia and from this old country, which proved that despite its age it was not decrepit—it was written that those men attacked with the dawn—fit work for the dawn—to drive out from forty miles of French soil those miscreants who had defiled it for three years. They attacked with the dawn—it is a significant phrase.

The breaking up of the dark rule of the Turk which for centuries clouded the sunniest land in the world, the freeing of Russia from the oppression which covered it like a shroud for so long, the great declaration of President Wilson, coming with the might of the great nation he represents into the struggle for liberty, these are the heralds of dawn: they attacked with the dawn, and those men are marching forward in the full radiance of that dawn, and soon Frenchmen, Americans, British, Italians, Russians, yea, Serbians, Belgians, Montenegrins, Rumanians, will emerge into the full light of perfect day (loud and prolonged cheering).

South American Measures.

Rio de Janeiro, April 12.—The Government is equipping a strong contingent to be concentrated in the States of Rio Grande do Sul, Parana and Santa Catharina where the Germans are numerous.

Buenos Aires, April 12.—The Government as a precautionary measure is preparing to call up the conscripts.

Buenos Aires, April 12.—Steps are being taken to increase the effectiveness of the army and navy.



BRITISH OFFICIAL PHOTOGRAPH.
Spanish Generals on a visit to the British Western Front watching men drill.

Russia's Aim.

Petrograd, April 10.—The Provisional Government has issued a proclamation declaring free Russia does not aim at the domination of other nations, depriving them of their national patrimony or occupying forcibly foreign territories, but its object is to establish a durable peace on a basis of the rights of nations to decide their own destiny. Russia does not desire to subjugate or humiliate anyone, but Russia must not emerge from the struggle humiliated and weakened.

Petrograd, April 11.—At the Congress of the Cadet, otherwise the National Liberty Party, M. Rodicheff said that a body of bold persons in Petrograd dared to talk of peace. What

was the German Socialists, reply to the appeal of the Committee of the Workmen and Soldiers delegates to finish the war? They launched clouds of gas against the Russians at Stokhod. Russia must fight to victory and repay her debts to her Allies. Remember that the British Navy prevented the German fleet reaching Petrograd in 1914. Thousands of English and French fell in Gallipoli for Russia.

Ministers Milukoff and Nekrassof admitted that the success of the revolution was due to the Workmen's and Soldiers' Committee.

Nekrassof said that friction between the Government and the Committee was never serious. It was impossible to govern without the Committee, but the Government would never surrender to extremists.

Russian Troops Attack.

London, April 8.—A Russian communiqué says: North of Brzezany, after artillery firing, the enemy attacked and was repulsed. South-west of Brzezany our mine explosion wrecked hostile trenches, which our patrols captured and held, repulsing counterattacks. We attacked with gas in the same region. The enemy west of Tomnatz, after strong artillery firing, entered our trenches but was immediately dislodged.

London, April 8.—A wireless Russian official message says: We repulsed two attacks south-east of Brzezany. The Rumanians repelled an offensive in the region of Monestirka and Kachenul.

London, April 8.—A wireless Rus-

sian official message says: Our torpedo boat landed troops at the mouth of the river Terme east of Samsun-Burt, a Turkish observation post. The same torpedo boat captured ten schooners with valuable cargoes and brought them to Trebizond. Our submarines sank a schooner in the Bosphorus.

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