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### Palestine Push.

How the British Took Beersheba.

London, Nov. 5.-Reuter's corres pondent at Egyptian Headquarters, wiring on Nov. 1, says that the valid which has hidden operations on the Delawing forms of the last across the Wady, establishing themselves on the road to Hebron and catting off escape in that direction. Telelsaba fell two houses Palestine front has partially lifted and revealed that the Turk received a blow in the capture of Beersheba which considerably winded him. The achievement necessitated weeks and months of unremitting toil, preparing for the coup. As a consequence the result has been attained with an almost machine like precision. The ominous quiescence preserved on the battle front was broken five days ago by the guns vigorously shelling the Turkish lines. The weight and extent of the fire transcended anything experienced hitherto in the Near East. Simultaneously the first welcome rain and thunderstorm of the winter season occurred, helping to harden the surface and facilitating the movements of the men.

### Feeling the Defences

Our fire was most intense towards the northern extremity about Gaza, and there was nothing to show that a blow was about to fall at the other extremity, thirty miles distant. Nevertheless, the Turks were suspicious, and recon noitred around Beersheba, claiming success therefor. The truth is that the British mounted troops held up the Turks, inflicting heavy casualties, and enabling the infantry to advance, compelling an enemy retirement in ignorance of our dispositions.

Meanwhile, frequent reconnaissances and aerial photographs familiarised the command with the nature of the ground, which around Beersheba gently undulates, and is traversed from north to south by deep wadies, the town lying in a depression along the

banks of Wady Sabah. The enemy defences extended north and west and south, three to five miles from Beersheba, constituting a somewhat isolated advance post guarding the Turkish extreme left. The position was of great natural strength, the enemy believing it to be impregnable. I: was well provided with guns and machine-guns and garrisoned by two complete regiments, with other detachments of infantry and a trigade of

### Turks' Unpleasant Surprise.

The attack was a complete surprise. The enemy was cornered and proctically wiped out almost before the news of his plight reached the enemy headquarters.

All arms participated, but the lion's share fell to the cavalry, who marched fifty miles, chi fly at night time, in order to outflank the enemy.

The Anzac mount d troops took the outer circult, and the Yeomanry effected a junction with the infantry. The advance began at night fall, and succeeded completely, outflanking the enemy. The Anzacs met the first opposition ten miles south east of Beer-

shebs, and later were held up by a -: doubt at Teleleaba defending the eastern approaches to the town. While the light here was progressing, the Light Horse captured a position a little to the east across the Wady, estab later, but a strong force, with guns and machine-guns, was holding out on the Wady, barring the approach to the

#### Anzac Mounted Men's Charge.

Mounted Anzac reinforcements there upon brilliantly attacked at sunset. They charged strong positions on the crumbling banks of the dry Wady by the pale light of the moon, on horseback, and used fixed bayonets as Linces. They literally swept over the position and carried the town with a

Meanwhile, west of Beersheba, where the defences were very strong, being a ded by great natural advantages, the infantry, after barely an hour's artil-I ry preparation, rushed the first line. The Londoners captured hill 1070, a strong redoubt. The bombardment wiped out the majority of the enemy machine-guns, although it failed to obliterate the wiring.' Nevertheless the infantry, who were in the Feenest spirits, tore down the barbed wire with their hands. Subsequently the main position was attacked at midday, and was captured in twenty-five minates.

### Final Blow at Sunset.

Towards the left, among the hills north-west of B-ersheba, the Turks continued to oppose, but a combined movement drove them headlong at sunset.

An instance of the gallantry shown was that of a Lewis gun detachment charging a field battery, driving out the Turks and capturing the guns.

A most satisfactory feature is the smallness of the casualties, which did not attain the sum total of our prisoners. We entered Beersheba in the morning.

A feature of the whole operation was he remarkable staff work, enabling all movements to dovetail with such exactitude as to be timed with such precision.

Cairo, Nov. 4 .-- H.H. the Sultan and General Mande have warmly congratulated General Allenby on the brillant capture of Beersheba. General Allenby replied to General Maude: "I hope our efforts will assist yours, and that our co-operation will shorten the road to victory.'

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### Progress of Latest Battle of Flanders.

London, Nov. 6.-Field Marshal Haig reports: We attacked at six o'clock this morning against positions in the neighbourhood of Passchendaele. Our troops are reported to be satisfactorily progressing.

The Lincolnshires yesterday evening raided in the neighbourhood of

Hulluch.

London, Nov. 6.-Reuter's correspondent at Headquarters says: After an interval of just a week the eighth battle of the Flanders autumn compaign began at six this morning. The greatest intensity of the fighting was in the neighbourhood of Passchendaele and about the Ypres-Menin road. The weather, although threatening, remained dry until well after sun up, when a light, intermittent drizzle caused visibility to become poor. On the Canadian front the ground was not bad, and the assembly was carried out with no particular difficulty. The night bad been exceptionally quiet. There was a preliminary bombardment of shorter duration than usual, but of

### Moving up the Batteries.

terrific intensity.

strenuous work of the road makers, practically the whole of the mobile batteries had been moved forward into more effective positions. The Germans replied to our barrage by shelling our field-guns rather heavily, but this died down at 7.30. According to reports hitherto received, which are subject to confirmation, the battle is proceeding quite satisfactorily. At 750 one ef our aeroplanes reported that it could see some Canadians about 100 yards beyond Passchendaele. Airmen could also see them deploying along the ridge to Mosselmarkt.

Our guns are searching the zone west of Moorslade, where large enemy concentrations are distributed in shell. holes and pill boxes. A large number of our aeroplanes are frequently swooping and attacking.

### Hindenberg Gets Anxious

An enemy map captured by the Anzacs on the night of Oct. 29 showed an ambitious scheme for the recapture of Crest farm and territory considerably beyond. The information gained enabled us to beat off the effort with very heavy enemy losses. We are considerable stride towards the mastery manifestly working our way well of the enemy's most powerful system along the dominant Goudberg ridge, of defences, and has been gamen between Passchendaele and Westroose- at the cost of comparatively light beek. A captured order, said to be casualties.

signed by Hindenberg, directs that should Passchendaele be captured it must be recovered at all costs.

London, Nov. 7.—Renter's correspondent at headquarters says: Success signals have been soaring sky-wards with gratifying frequency during the early forenoon. We have been fighting through Passchendaele and beyond but details of the situation thereabouts are not yet elucidated. The Canadians were digging in at some points east of Passchendaele during the morning. This was several times re-ported, but the enemy were massing heavily for a counter attack and at midday an intense barrage opened along the section which the enemy presumed to be the line of our new front.

### A Wonderful Barrage.

We reached the final objective in large numbers, with our guns well forward, and therefore in a good position for supporting the infantry. The walking wounded are in high spirits over the day's achievement. They say that our barrage was wonderful—the best ever seen—and the fewness of prisoners is due to the Germans not staying to fight at close quarters. It may therefore be expected that we have collected a respectable number of machine-guns.

The prisoners are mostly of a better type than usual, well nourished and well clad, indicating that the Huns are Thanks to the untiring devotion and using picked troops in the endeavour to arrest our encroachments into the key line of western Belgium.

There was a lot of firing from Passebendiele Church, which the artillery and infantry eventually silenced. We encountered in the centre of Mosselmarkt a large concreted redoubt, our men after a lot of trouble having to surround it in order to reduce it. The Germans have been so heavily shelling this village that there is some doubt at present whether we have been able to remain

### An Important Victory

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For cough and Sorethroat, sip the mixture slowly. For Eczema, apply externally and take internally as directed. For Beri beri, take tall does thrice a day. For cholera take one tables poonful every Can hour.

and take internally as directed. For born own, take our does conce a day. For choiera take one tablespoonful every k an hour.

For Toothache, clean the cavity of the tooth first and then saturate a piece of cotton wool in Jong-keena and fill eavity with same, changing five or six times every 3 minute, 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 wood, put 5 or 6 drops into ear and scut

For Earache, clean the ear first with cotton wood, put o of baroes into ear and string the hole with cotton wood -relict is certain within a few minutes.

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

For Sore-eyes take internally as directed, for a few days.

After taking this mixture, a little plain white sugar may be taken to remove the bitter taste but not in the case of coughs or sore throat.

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### Notification by the Liquidator of the business of Enemy Subjects.

By a Notification of the Minister of Finance dated the 9th day of Nov-ember, B E. 2460, the business of Behn Mayer and Co., Ltd. carried on at Bush Lane, Bangkok, under the name of Engler and Menzi, was ordered to be attached and wound up, and undersigned liquidator appointed Liquidator

therefor. Notice is hereby given that all persons who are creditors or debtors, or otherwise interested in any manner in the above mentioned buriness, must present written claims or demands or pry their debts to the Liquidator at the Sheriff's Department. Ministry of Justice, within one month from the date of this Notification. If this provision is not complied with, the Liquidator will not accept responsib.lity for any loss occasioned thereby.

Dated, 9th November, B. E. 2160. (Signed) Pra Karani Sri Samruat.

Liquidator.



Notification of the Minister of Finance appointing a Liquidator for winding up an Enemy Business under the Law Forbidding Trade with the Subjects of Enemy Countries.

Whereas the business of Behn Meyer and Co., Ltd. carried on at Bush Lane, Bangkok, under the name of Engler and Menzi, appears to be carried on wholly or mainly for the benefit of and under the control of persons of enemy nationality.

Therefore the said business is, in pursuance of Article 8 of the Law Forbidding Trade with the Subjects of Enemy Countries, ordered to be attached and wound up, and Pra Karani Sri Samruat is appointed liquidator

Notification issued on the 9th day of November, B. E. 2460.

> (Signed) Kitiyakara. Minister of Finance.

### Notice.

Re tender for the extension & repair of Post and Telegraph Office No. 2.

As the period for submission of tenders is rather limited. The Post and Telegraph Department has decided to extend the time to 30th. November 1917 at 1 p. m.

DIRECTOR GENERAL

OF POSTS & TELEGRAPHS.

### Notice.

Consignees are hereby notified that goods ex our m.s. "Selandia" from Copenhagen, Christiania, Gothenburg, San Francisco, Yokohama, Kobe, and Shanghai have partly arrived per s. s. "Rolling" on the 12.11.17 and have been landed at our wharves at the risk, expense and responsibility of con-

Claims will rot be entertained unless made within 10 days after final discharge of the ship.

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### The Siam Observer

WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 14, 1917.

### AMERICA'S FOOD SUPPLIES.

Yesterday's and to-day's wires regarding the state of affairs in Italy are more re-assuring than any received for some time. With the retreat definitely brought to a close, a keener spirit being manifested in the army and the establishment of a military council to secure the full benefits of the Allied co-operation with the Italian forces we may expect to вее the Austro-German army before long deperting to the place from whence it came. One effect of the enemy's onslaught on Italy has been to accelerate the preparations made by America to take a more formidable part in the war. It has caused the extension and quickening of the shipbuilding programme and this alone will be of incalculable benefit for it will act as an off-set against the submarine campaign. The additional tonnage will not only be used to trans port men and munitions across the Atlantic but will bring cargoes of those all-important foodstuffs without which the soldiers, munition-workers and civilians must suffer hardships. A Washington journal has a most inspiring article on the food question. It declares that there is enough food in sight in America to win the war. All the crops are ripe for harvest and promise the biggest yield ever recorded in the annals of the sountry. Official figures published by the Department of Agriculture show that a harvest of over three thousand million bushels of corn may be expected and nearly five hundred million bushels of potatoes. Both of these crops are high above the average and the same may be said of other crops except wheat in which the increase is not so strongly marked The inhalitants of the United States have entered into the war with the spirit of thoroughness that is characteristic of the nation. On the very day that war was declared an army of six million American farmers was mobilis ed. Cotton planters have reduced the a reage under cotton and devoted the land to the growing of cereals: timb.r. lands have been planted up and systematic cultivation has been inaugurated all over the country. The holders of small plots of land have vied with the owners of huge farms in "doing their bit," for a back-yard and vacant lot garden movement has had such splendid results as to exceed most sanguine expectations. conservation campaign has met with astonishing success and the supply of tinned fruits and vegetables is at least five times larger than ever known before. For the success of this movement girls' clubs are large responsible as over eighty million quarts of fruit and vegetables have been canned by members of these clubs alone. The military value of this effort of the United States to provide herself and her Allies with food for the coming winter cannot be judged too highly and if will prove a factor that will have a tar reaching effect on the future course of the war.

#### LOCAL AND GENERAL

To DAY is the great Hindu festival of Deepavali. Muny of the Indian Stores are decorated in consequence.

THE Post and Tel-graph Department reports that both the Krat and Paknam Polines are in imperfect working order. Other Lines are all available. --:0:--

THE s.s. Katong will leave from the Borneo Company's Wharf at 5 pm. sharp, on Friday the 16th inst., and should arrive in Singapore on Tuesday daylight.

GERMANS have entirely demolished Cockerill factories and those at Ougree. Marihaye, and have arranged for the destruction of all other Belgian factories, great and small.

THE s.s. "atong landed 12 bags of mail and several passengers this morning. Among the arrivals are the new American Minister (Dr. Ingersoll) and family, and Mr. A. J. Ford, manager of Whiteaway, Laidlaw and Co. Ltd.

l'Ishermen returning to Cadaques (Spain) report that a Japanese destroyer surprised a German submarine in the act of sinking a barque loaded with onions, The destroyer opened fire upon the submarine, which was struck and sank immediately.

--:0:--LATEST Advis :- Borneo Co., Ltd. have a new notice to consignees. A Grand Benefit performance in aid of the Flood Relief Fund will be given at the Pathanalai Hall to-night. The new programme of the Pathanakorn appears in our advertisement columns. Benjamin A. Pereira advertises auctions of the property of several enemy sub-

NEW York advices state that the Special Commissioner, Mr. Thomas H. Willcox, has filed with Judge Waddill, of the Federal Court in Norfolk, his report in the Appam case fixing 447,000 dols, as the amount of damages due to the owners of the vessel by reason of her capture by a German raider and her letention by the German prize crew in a neutral port. In addition, 7,039 dols. received from the sale of part of the Appam's cargo, is recommended to be paid over to Captain Henry G. Harrison, the master of the liner.

A REVISION of the customs law of he Philippine islands in such a manner that an additional P2,000,000 in duties will be collected during a normal year, is recommended by Dr. Bernard Herstein, formerly of the board of public utility commissioners. Since his departure from the islands he has peen studying the customs question. The matter will require action by the local legislature as well as final approval by the president of the United States, and a special meeting of the senate committee of finance has been called to consider it.

THE "Frankfurter Zeitung's" criticisms of Count Luxburg—and they are vpical of the German Press-are very significant. In recommending by cable that Argentine ships should be sunk "spurlos versenkt," the Court is described as "negligent," "clumsy," "in-cautious," "lacking in common sense": while the incident is spoken of as "annoying" and "not to be taken too tragically." Not a hint anywhere that murder and lying and treachery are not the proper and accepted treatment for an innocent neutral. It could not be put more plainly that Count Luxburg's offence consists in being found

APROPOS the Selangor War Loan Lottery, first prize in which has been won by a Hylam employed at a coffeeshop in Petaling Street, Kuala Lumpur, it may be of interest to recall the fact that in 1901, when what was known as the Convent Lottery was organised in Kuala Lumpur, the first prize, of the value of \$20 000, went to a Hylam coffee-shop keeper in Campbell Street, Penang. The name of the lucky Hylam coffee shop employee who won the first prize in the Selangor Lottery is Heng Ah Soon. He has two brothers in or near Ipoh, and an aged father in China. He states that be intends investing half of his winning in buying a rubber estate. He also intends helping his brothers financially, and the remainder of his money he is going to remit to China to benefit his father. (M.M.)

### Two Big Races.

Cambridgeshire and Melbourne Cup. London, Nov. 7.—The placed horses in the Cambridgeshire are:

(1) Brown Prince 100 to 6. Planet 100 to 7. (3) Grand Fleet 20 to 1. Fourteen ran. Won by three lengths, with two lengths between second and

third. London, Nov. 7.—The placed horses

in the Melbourne Cup were:--Westcourt 5 to 1.

Lingle.

Wallace Isinglass. Twenty ran. Won by half a head, with two lengths between second and third.

Washington, Nov. 6 .- The State Department announces that Japan and the United States have reached a complete agreement regarding China and also a clear understanding regarding the military, paval and economic cooperation in the war against Germany.

THE

## Great War.

## Italian Successes.

(REUTER'S TELEGRAM.)

London, Nov. 13.

Italian Official Communique:-In the neighbourhood of Asiago the enemy captured advanced posts at Gallio and Monteferragh. We subsequently expelled him, taking prisoner a hundred.

We captured the enemy vanguard at

In the Sugana Vally we repulsed the enemy on the Valdobbiadene Heights. We crossed to the right bank of the Hiave and destroyed the Vidor bridge.

### The War in Palestine.

(REUTER'S TELEGRAM.)

London, Nov. 13. Egypt Official :- The Turks are organising behind the north branch of the Wadisukereir and southeastward covering Beityibrin and Hebron.

Our mounted forces progressed towards Eltine.

A Scottish night attack on the enemy's right flank captured machine

The discovery of large war material

### The Evacuation of the Tagliamento.

("S. O." SPECIAL CORRESPONDENT) Singapore, Nov. 13.

Messages describe the terrible plight of the fugitives owing to the evacuation from the Tagliamento. Babies are said to have been asphixiated in the crush and mothers became demented. Aeroplanes attacked the trains which took refuge in tunnels causing dense smoke clouds which swamped the crowded open cars and children collapsed.

### **British Flood Relief** Fund.

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#### Government To Acquire Tea Supplies.

London, Nov. 3 .- The Times understands that the Indian Tea Association yesterday appointed a sub-committee to consider schemes providing for Government acquisition of Indian and Cey-Ion tea for United Kingdom requirements. The paper says that it is already clear that the trade will severely criticise, as Calcutta has. There is no trace of an unreasonable spirit among the tea industry's leaders, but rather a willingness to be perfectly satisfied with payments for supplies based on pre-war earnings, or if that is regarded as expecting too much, then with terms substantially below that level.

The Times adds that evidently there will be no general and willing acceptance of any scheme which, while possibly not unacceptable to the companies with high working expenses, would leave very little return if any for shareholders of successful companies with low working costs.

London, Nov. 4.—The Food Controller announces that the existing teacontrol scheme is temporary, until the Government purchases of tea in India and Ceylon reach the United Kingdom. It is anticipated that all free tea will have gone into consumption by Dec. 31, after which it should be possible to further reduce the four shilling maxi-

mum price. London, Nov. 3.—The Tea Control Committee has unanimously elected Mr. George Pollard, of Messrs J. Lyons and Co. as successor to Mr. David Pigott, of Messrs. David Lloyd Pigott & Co., as director of tea supplies.

## What of Italy?

## May Stand on Garda-Adige Line,

London, Nov. 7 .-- Anglo-French crities are of opinion that at ly's fate depends on the rallying power of her army. They declare that ground must be sacrificed in Venetia in order to provide the Allies with a field of action adequate for a counter off-nsive. The principal line of defence will probably be lake Garda and the Adige. They emphasise the short distance separating Munich and Milan compared with the distance of the Somme and the Marne, and anticipate enemy attempts to debouch through the Trentino in order to attack the Allied communications, but think it is improbable that the enemy will be able to do this in great force, and if the move is made it can be effectively countered. Lake Garda and the Adige are regarded as an insuperable barrier, provided Switzerland remains neutral.

### Allies' Prompt Aid.

Paris, Nov. 7.—Semi-Official states that it is to be hope that the retrepting Italian army will escape the invaders, and that the effect of the reconstitution. profiting by the short respite afford d by the Tagliamento, will be to put up a vigorous resistance, coinforted by the thought of the assistance of Anglo-French reinforcements, whose more speedy arrival they could not expect. It is impossible to foresee the definitive line where the Italians will beable to hold up the enemy, especially as before thinking of stopping the assailants on the right and centre they must watch the left, which rests on the Carnic Alps and Cadora mountains; and also the tear, resting on the Trentino. Small local attacks have already occurred near Like Garda and these may be the precursor of a more important-offensive in the Trentino.

London, Nov. 7 .- According to a message from Austrian Headquarters, there are five armies operating against the Italians under Generals Krobatin. Krass, von Below, Wurms and Henriquez. The centre army is commanded. y von Below whilst Wurms is moving along the Adriatic.

### Austro-Germans Not Unmolested.

London, Nov. 7.--Italian Official: We have withdrawn in good order to the Livenzy as the defence of the Tagliamento was difficult owing to low water. Our aeroplanes and airships repeatedly bombed the troops repairing the bridges over the Taghamento and crossing the river.

London, Nov. 7.—A correspondent of the Daily Mail at Italian headquarters states: Hostile scouts reached Maniago, twelve miles west of Tagliamento, on Nov. 5.

Maniago is up on the foot of the hills leading to nowhere in particular. London, Nov. 7 .- Wireless German Official: We have reached the Livenza river line.

## Allied Missions Confer.

New York Nov. 8 .- The correspondent of the Associated Press at Italian Headquarters says: Thanks to the Italian rearguards and aeroplanes and airships harassing the enemy, delaying his advance, the British batteries were enabled to complete their withdrawal intact after terrible trials. losing only three mer.

The American Consular Venice reports that the city is calm and business is being carried on as usual. Thanks to the efficacy of the defences there

have been no air-raids. Rome, Nov. 8.—Mr. Lloyd George, General Wilson, M. Painleve and M. Franklin Bouillon arrived at Rapallo, near Genoa, on Monday afternoon. They were met by Sr. Orlando, Laron, Sonnino, Generals Robertson and Foch, who have been in Italy for some days. and Generals Aifeiri (Minister for War) and Porro (representing the supreme command). M. Barrere, French ambassador, parcipated in the conferences which were immediately held. There were discussions on Tuesday and Wednesday regarding the most suitable measures to be adopted to meet the military situation. The Missions left

Rapallo on Wednesday evening. A Semi Official note says that the speedy arrival of the leaders of the Allied Governments and their highest military representatives is in itself a solemn affirmation of the perfect solidarity of the Allies and the fraternity of their armies.

## Enemy's Further Success.

London, Nov. 8.-Wireless German Official: Our detachments, advancing along mountain roads, have broken the resistance of the Italian reargnard. An outflanking movement then cut off the retreat of the Italians on the middle Tagliamento, between Tolmezzo and Gemona, and also on the fortified Monte San Simeone. We have already taken prisoner 17,000, including a general, and eighty guns. Fighting has developed on the plain along the Livenza. The Austro-Germans, vigorously advancing despite destroyed bridges, forced a crossing and threw back the enemy westward; the total of prisoners now is over 250,000, with over 2,300

London, Nov. 8 .- Italian Official: We continued the withdrawal of our line. Yesterday larger units retired anmolested. There were numerous engagements between the Vittorio hills and the confluence of the Montycane and Livenza in which we succeeded in detaining the enemy's advance. Our aeroplanes renewed their bombardments of the enemy along the Taglia-

### Russia's Second Revolution.

### Kerensky Government Deposed,

London, Nov. 8 .-- Wireless Russian Officed. The garrison and proletariat at Petrograd has deposed the Kerensky Government.

London, Nov. 8,-Russian Wireless The Soldel pro Jams the authority of the military r volutionary committee until the creation of a Government of Soldels. The committee calls upon the Soldeis o water closely the conduct of the mea in command. Officers who do no jain the revolution immediately and openly must be arrested at once as enemies.

The Soldel considers as the programme of the new authority: Firstly, an offer of immediate democratic peace; secondly the immediate handing over of large proprietorial lands to the peasm's: the dly, the transmission of all authority to the Soldels; fourthly, an houest convocation of the Constituent Assembly.

The nameral revolutionary army must not permit uncertain military deta h nents to leave the front for Petrogram, I must use persuasion, but where this fails must oppose any such action by force without mercy The proclamation concludes " Soldiers! For peace, for bread, for land, for power of the people!" It is signed by the military revolutionary com-

#### Armistice and Peace.

London, Nov. 8.—Wireless Russian Official. The reunion of Soviets opened to-day. The army committees have been ordered to elect delegates for every 25,000 men. A failure to send delegates is a sin against the revolu-

The military revolutionary committee of the Soldel has issued a proclamation that Petrograd is in Its hands, thanks to the assistance of the garrison, which enabled the coup d'etat to be brought about without bloo lehed. It declares that the new Government will propose an immediate and just peace, will hand over the land to the peasants and summon a Constituent Assembly. At an extraordinary meeting of the Soldel on the afternoon of Nov. 7, President Trotzky declared that the Provisional Government no longer existed. Some Ministers have been arrested and the preliminary parliament dissolved. M. Herein (Elenin) was prolongedly cheered in problems before the Russian democracy: firstly, the immediate conclusion of the war, for which the new Government must propose an armistice to the belligerents; secondly, the handling over of the land to the peasants; thirdly, the settlement of the economic crisis.

The Assembly then passed a resolution in favour of the speediest possible settlement of these problems. At the close of the sitting, a declaration was read from the representatives of the Minimalists of the Soldel stating their disapproval of the coup d'etat and that they withdrew from the Petrograd Soldel.

## Kerensky a Fugitive.

London, Nov. S .- A statement issued by the Petrograd agency announces that the Congress of Soldels of all Russia has distributed proclamations to the provincial Soblets delegating power to the Soviets, relieving the Government commissaries of their duties, ordering the release of arrested members and of agricultural committees and the arrest of the commissaries who arrested them, abolishing the death penalty and reestablishing freedom of political propaganda at the front, ordering the release of revolutionary soldiers and officers who were arrested for alleged political crimes and ordering the arrest of ex-ministers Konovaloff, Kischkin, Terestchenko, Malantovitch, Nikitin and others. It is announced that M. Kerensky has escaped. The military have been enjoined to arrest him and all complicity with Kerensky will be

treated as high treason. London, Nov. 8,-Renter has receive ed telegrams from the official Petrograd telegraph agency which, is now in the hands of the Maximalists, stating that the Maximalists hold the city and have arrested the Ministers. Penin (? Lenin), who is the leader of the

movement, has demanded an immediate armistice and peace. London, Nov. 8.—Reuter's own correspondent at Petrograd has been silent since he reported that the Petrograd telegraphic agency was in the hands of

### Women Defend Winter Palace.

the Maximalists.

Petrograd, Nov. 8 .- Reuter's correspondent states—that the Maximalists have occupied the Win er Palace, also the premises of the General Staff. The former was defended by a women's battalion of cadets who surrendered after some gun-shots from the cruiser Aurora and the Fortress of St. Peter and St. Paul, on the opposite bank of the Neva. There was also fire from the machine guns and arm ared cars of the Red Guards.

Petrograd, Nov. 9 .- Reuter's correspondent, wiring on the 7th, states that at present there has been no bloodshed. Only a few minor street collisions have occurred. The situation is obscure. Some 485 delegates have arrived for the conference of Soldels of all Russia: 335 of them are Maxima-

The Baltic and Black Sea fleet's delegates have declared in favour of all power to the Soodeps (? Soldels).

Three Cossack regiments now in Petrograd have informed M Kerensky that they are prepared to support the Government providing that there is no compromising.

### The Tea Question.

London, Nov. 7 .- The Times says It is understood that a joint representative committee of firms interested in the Indian and Ceylon tea gardens has not seen its way to approve any scheme of Government purchase for United Kingdom requirements, in which payment would be based on a certain percentage of working expenses. The committee has thus supported the attitude of Calcutta and probably it will counter-propose that payment should be bassed on the pre-war average prices, plus some addition on account of the rise in working costs. Under some such arrangement the companies would doubtless be able to provide dividends on a pre-war scale.

### Message To The Empire.

London, Nov. 7. - Official: The King has issued the following: "To my people. The world wide struggle for the triumph of libercy is entering upon its last and most difficult phase. The enemy is striving by a desperate assault and subtle intrigue to perpetuate the wrongs already committed and stem the tide of free civilisation.

"We have yet to complete the great task to which we have deficated ourselves. I would call upon you to devote a special day of prayer that we may have the clear-sightedness and strength necessary to the victory of our cau e. This victory will be gained only if we stealfastly remember the responsibility resting upon us and in a spirit of reverent obedience ask the blessing of Almighty God upon our endeavours. Let us seek to be enlightened in our understanding and fortified in courage in facing the sacrifice that we may yet have to make.

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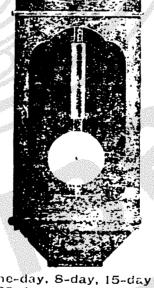
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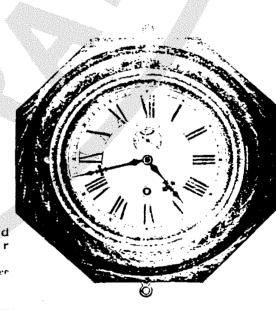
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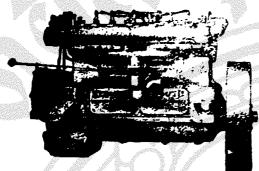
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### Talk About Peace.

### Mr. Balfour's Reply to the Pacificists.

Lendon, Nov. 7 .- In the House of Commons, replying to a resolution moved by Mr. Lees Smith urging that if the independence and restoration of Belgium and the evacuation of other occupied territories are satisfactorily guaranteed, peace should be negotiated on the basis of an equitable solution of the problem of Alsace Lorraine, and effective international machinery for the avoidance of wars, Mr. Balfour deprecated a discussion of this nature. He said that the trend of the arguments was that Britain was being kept at war in order to restore Alsace Lorraine to France. This was a complete misapprehension of the views of the Govern ment and the country.

The pacificists apparently desired that the war should continue till every country was democratised, yet Mr. Ramsay Macdonald quoted German Socialists as saying that nothing could unite Germany more against their present enemies than the idea that they intended to force upon Germany a enemies admired. It was impossible for one country to dictate to another under what form of government that country should live,

### A Maresnest Destroyed.

It had been said that the Allies were bound by a secret treaty to hand over to France or some independent community part of Germany on the left bank of the Rhine. This was a complete maresnest. There was no such treaty, and such had never been the object of the Allies. The suggestion was absolutely antagonistic to the pro-claimed war-aims of freeing the small nationalities and making the constitution of the States of Europe as far as possible harmonise with the wishes of the inhabitants. We desired the resti-tution of Alsace Lorraine, but we were not fighting for that alone. We were fighting, fifstly, to free Europe from the perpetual menace of the German military party. Partly for that reason, and partly on its own merit, we desired that Europe should be rearranged, enabling the historical development of cultural necessities.

It was not Europe alone that had to be considered. He asked it the pacificists cared nothing for the misgovernment and most barbarons cruelty in Armenia and Arabia, The pacificists talked of democratisation, but that was not applicable to every form of human not applicable to every form of numeric community. For example, they could ideals for which we are fighting

#### Concerning War-Aims.

The pacificists believed that these matters could be settled by bringing the Powers to talk together round a table. Was it supposed that Germany would ever restore the ancient kingdom of Poland, even the part which was completely Polish in the character of its population?

It was the Central Powers who had not declared their war-aims, despite President Wilson's explicit invitation when the United States was still neutral. The tenonr of the Central Powers' reply to the Papal Note conclusively proved their inability or unwillingues to state their war aims. The Pope's Note distinctly mentioned Belgium and Poland, but the Central Powers did not say a single word there anent. The pacificists described our war-aims as imperialis ic. Was it imperialistic to desire to see an independent Poland, Armenia released from the tyranny of Turkey, Alsace Lorraine restored to France, to see Italy embracing those of her own race and civilisation and language, and Rumania under Rumanian rule, to see Serbia a community again and a great, flourishing, united Power? There was nothing im-perialistic in any of these things, and for any member thus to misrepresent form of government which their our war aims, knowing that those misrepresentations would receive currency among our enemies, was one of the greatest disservices that a man could at present render to his country.

#### Germany's Distorted Morality.

We must consider the psychology of the German people. They had an entirely different view of international morality and rights and duties of a powerful State from any other community in the world.

Mr. Balfour contrasted the pious observations of Germany in her reply to the Pope with the docuines preached and practised before the war. Germany had never accepted a single obligation which would diminished or hamper her power to strike at any rival whom she desired to coerce.

The time would come when a World Conference would discuss the rearrangement of the world after the war. But one of the preliminaries must be that the Central Powers, who were now united with Turkey in coercing small nationalities, should tell us what conditions they desired and how far they would make concessions to the higher spirit animating the great and free communities of the New and Old world. The fact that the misery and suffering of the war were voluntarily borne by freedom loving nations was a conclusive argument against wasting such sacrifices by consenting to give up the

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#### Desire for Durable Peace.

The foremost was alm had all ays been a durable peace. He believed that the adoption of the resolution would indefinitely postpone such a peace. He therefore asked the House to show to our Allies and our enemies that we believed in our cause and had faith that we could bring it to a successful termination; and moreover, proclaim that, great as our sacrifices have been, we are ready to continue indefinitely until our great and righteous and unselfish objects are finally secured.

The resolution was negatived without a vote.

### Enemy May Propose A Conference.

London, Nov. 6.—Peace rumours are current on the Amsterdam hourse where it is believed that the Central Powers intend to propose a preparatory conference at Berne.

It is stated that such a proposal will be made by Count Hertling in his maiden speech in the Reichstag on Nov. 22. Several German newspapers are urging the Government that now is the best time to offer peace to Russia and Italy.

Petrograd, Nov. 6. At a meeting of the preliminary Parliament M. Skobeleff, who will represent "Russian democracy" at the forthcoming Allied Conference in Paris, admitted that the army was in a sad state and orged the Allies to invite the enemy to discuss

#### Russia's.Troubles Accumulate.

M. Terestchenko, the Foreign Minister, after saying that anarchy in Russia was growing, said the whole world desired peace and it must be a prace without annextions but Russia must not accept any sort of peace. Petrograd, Nov. 6. - The local Soldel

has requested the garrison not to execute orders except those approved by the Soldel. It is expected that the Government will combat this attempt to secure supreme power.

The War Minister, General Verkhoveky, has been relieved of his officer in consequence of serious differences with his colleagues, especially regarding foreign policy. Verkhovsky denies the allegation that he favours a separate peace. Under Secretary Manikovsky succeeds him temporarily.

### Rainfall.

We have received the following telegraphic reports of rainfall from Department of Agriculture, Ministry of Lands and Agriculture. KRUNG DEB.

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### How Germans Massacred Neutrals.

Convoy Murders.

London, Nov. 4 .- An appalling story of the cold blooded massage by the Germans of the crews of the No th Sea convoy sunk on Oct. 17 is told in the Norwegian newspapers Tidenstegn says that the German cruisers were observed at six in the morning but were thought to be British, but at seven o'clock, when there was more fight, they suddenly began to shoot and the convoy was terrified to see the Uritish destroyer at the stern of the convoy beginning to sink, though it fought to the end. The cruisers, signalling "step." advanced on .each side of the convoy which was swept with all their guns at a range of 1 ss than two hundred yard ; Two German distroyers came up and helped to spread death and destruction over the defenceless ships

Shells fell thick and fast, and the Germans were not content to sink the ships but shelled the lifeboats, and every living thing coming their way was mercilessly slaughtered. The survivors owed their lives to the high sea making the boats a difficult mark. In the midst of the massacre another Pritish destroyer came up and immediate ly attacked, but was soon sunk in the unequal struggle.

### An Indisc iminate Slaughter.

The German flotilla then cruised backwards and forwards along the sinking steamers, pouring in a fresh territle rain of shells at a hundred yards range. A shell went right through the Sweds

ish ship Wiendar and exploded in the lifebation the other side, killing all the occupants 14 men and 3 women-The other lifebout rowed back to resene the captain and two waitress's from the wreck when a shell struck the boat and killed five. Only the mateescaped by swimming. The Wiendar was now a mass of flames. Two girls jumped into the sea and apparently were drowned. The captain was saved by clinging to the wreckage. Two women on a sinking English ship put up the white flag. The answer was a shot, which killed both. Twelve men on another ship just got to the lite boat when a shell killed them all.

### The Enemy in Belgium.

London, Nov. 2.—A Belgian com-muniqué says: There was a most violent artillery struggle, especially before Dixmude. We scared several direct hits on enemy batteries and works. It is stated from Belgian afficial sources that the Germans are most active behind the front in Belgium and have brought up a great number of new pillboxes made of thick cast iron, each car able of holding four men. The number of civilians compelled to work near the front is steadily increasing.

London, Nov. 3.—Reuter is informed that the Germans are feverishly finishing the destruction of the workshops in the Lorge district, special attention being paid to the well known Cockerith blast furnaces and works.

London, Nov. 5.—Silver is at 415d. The market is dull,

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### Allied Conferences.

London, Nov. 5.—In the House of Commons, Mr. Balfour stated that he hoped the Allied Conference at Paris on the conduct of the war would be held in the middle of November. He could not at present give any information regarding the conference on war

London, Nov. 5.—Reuter has been informed that the conferences held in London last week were among the most important during the war. M. Painlève and General Petain daily conferred with Mr. Lloyd George and the War Cabinet. Complete identity of view was established regarding the situation arising from the Italian position and also regarding the future conduct of the war.

### The Silver Market.

London, Nov. 1.—Silver is at 45 3/8d. The China profit-taking has increased. American offers are easier. London, Nov. 2.—Silver is at 45 1/8d.

market dull. London, Nov. 1 .-- Montagu's silver report say: The rise of threepence on Oct. 30 was a record movement for one day. The immediate cause of the rise was scarcity of supplies on a firm market and absence of any supplies speculatively hold. The strength of Shanghai exchange owing to native influences assisted indirectly. A reaction has now set in and the market is sagging.

### Anti-Ally Intrigues Exposed

Athens, Nov. 5.-The telegrams secretly exchange between Athens and Berlin have all been feciphered. They conclusively prove that King Constantine and his Queen were acting on behalf of Germany with the Gonnaris, Skouloudis and Lambros Cabinets mere

The Queen telegraphed to the Kaiser in November, 1916, anxiously enquiring when the Central Powers would be ready for an offensive in Macedonia, and urging a German attack on Sarrail's left wing. She and King Constantine on Jan. 2 telegraphed to the Kaiser that the situation was desperate unless the Germans attacked immediately. The Kaiser replied saying that the telegram caused him deep emotion, admiring their courage in their horrible position, and declaring that Tino must act against his executioners

by attacking Sarrail's left flink. Other telegrams from the Foreign Minister Zalocostas, and Theotokis. Minister in Berlin, show the part played by the Royal Government in pands with the object of cutting the Monastir-Salonika railway and harassing Sarrail's rear.

#### Hertling as Chancellor.

#### Peace Offer to Italy Likely.

Amsterdam, Nov. 2 -Count Herting had an audience of the Kairer cesterday at noon when, it is believed Berlin, his appointment as Imperial Chancellor was finally decided on. It is reported that Helfferich, the Vice Chancellor, and Waldow, the Food

London, Nov. 2.-Berlin now officially confirms the resignation of Dr. Michaelis and the appointment of Count Hertling as Chancellor.

Dictator, have resigned.

London, Nov. 3.-The Times says that Count Hertling's appointment means that Germany is about to redouble her efforts to use the Pope as a tool in peace manoenvres. The Times Rome correspondent says that it is practically certain a peace offer to Italy is a matter of weeks, it not days.

Paris, Nov. 3.—A new loan is announced, issuing at Fr. 68 60 (?) per in the Sobranje, receiving 121 votes hundred france, bearing four per cent. against 110 for the Opposition, which interest. Bonds will be exempted from

#### Troublesome Irish.

#### London, Nov. 3. - A court martial at Cork sentenced two civilians to six months imprisonment for wearing military uniform, another to nine months for the same offence and also for carrying bayonet, and another to a year for military drilling. The commander-in-Chief has remitted parts of the sentences in two cases.

London, Nov. 4.--There was much excitement in Dublin yesterday in consequence of wild rumours of drastic measures against Sinn Feiners, including the arrest of De Valera. The ramours subsequently proved to be baseless. De Valera, who spoke at Limerick on Friday, is still at liberty. The Sinn Fein headquarters announce the abandonment of the meeting at Newbridge arranged for to-day, which the authorities proclaimed.

Amsterdam, Nov. 2.-The Bulgarian Government secured a narrow majority is dissatisfied with the statement of the Premier on the food question

### Hertling's Reception.

London, Nov. 4 .- Reactionary Prussians are bitterly disappointed at even the small concession to parliamentary ideas embodied in Count Herding's a; pointment. The Rhenisch West-factische-zeitung declares that Hertling is ignorant of foreign countries, is a supporter of Bethmann Hollweg's foreign policy and a jealous guardian of Bavaria's interests. He prevented Alsace Lorraine becoming Prussian and will radicalise Prussia on the instructions of Scheidemann, Erzberger and von Payer. is no spark of the old proud Prussian spirit left? It emphasises that all important offices are now in the hands of south Germans.

Landon, Nov. 2. On the occasion of his being presented with the Freedom of Edmburgh, the American Ambusador said that America would stake all to the end, to the last man and last dollar. They were faced by the fact, and might as well recognise it, that up in the English speaking peopos depended hereafter the safety of

### Antwerp Dash.

Story of Refugees in Hun Motor-Boat.

Amsterdam, Sept. 14.-Particulars of an adventure by the Belgian motor-boat Scaldis, which left Antwerp on Sunday and arrived at Walsoordan. East Zeeland, Holland, with Belgians for the Belgian Army, are given by the Telegraaf.

The Scaldie belonged to the Belgian Government and was confiscated by the Germans, who rechristend her Schelde fitted her luxuriously for use by the highest officers.

A Belgian pilot, Van Dingen, always known as "Jef," was appointed captain because he knew the river intimately. He frequently had the Governor-General on board, and from the mast there generally floated an admiral's flag, for which every guard on the Scheldt or the Willebroek Canal showed respect.

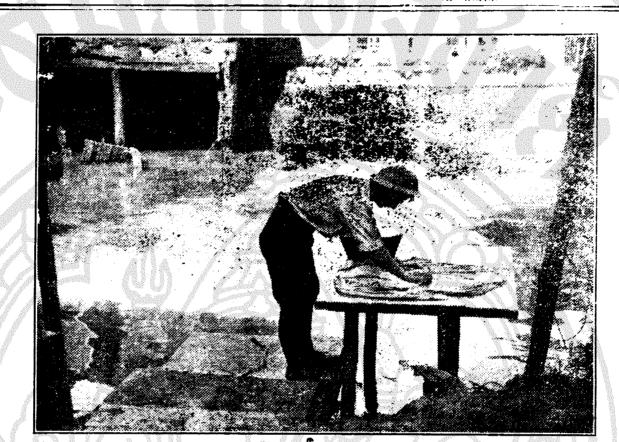
"Jef" determined to make a serious attempt to convey Belgian civilians to Holland, these men being so weary of German tyranny that they were willing to risk their lives to escape. "Jef" had orders to take the Governor-General Falkenhausen from Antwerp to Brussels last Monday. He reckoned that if he cruised northwards on Sunday the guards on the Scheldt would mink the Governor-General was taking a short trip to the trontier and along the forts. He started on Sunday at 12.30 midday, hoisting the admiral's

flag.
The Belgian civilians were hidden below deck, the captain and two assistants alone remaining on deck. They passed the forts of Et. Marie and Philip de Paarl and by Lietkenshoek and Doel, the German flag being satuted everywhere by the soldiers. At Doel the whole guard turned

Close to the frontier the motor stopped the petrol being almost exhausted German petrol boat approached, but as no assistance being asked it apparently dared not come alongside a boat flying an admiral's flag. By a friendly salute "Jef" intimated that he did not need a sistance, his salute being returned.

By good luck the motors were made to work a little; longer, and the tide also helped. The vessel ultimately reached Holland, where, after a visit of examination by the Dutch naval authorities, enough petrol was obtained to enable the boat to reach Welsoorden, where the captain and passengers were heartily welcomed and congratulated on the success of their daring adven-

The incident has created much amuse mant along the whole of the Scheldt.

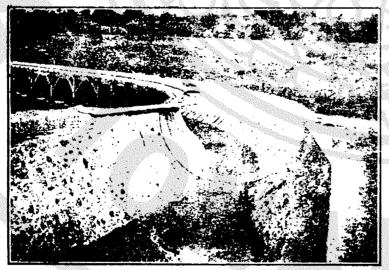


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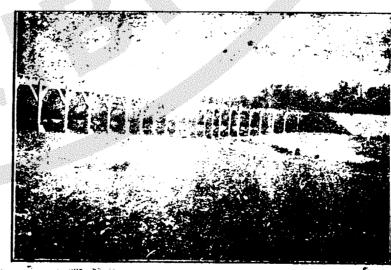
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