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#### The Allies Guns.

London, July 9.-The Berlin correspondent of the Associated Press of America says that Lieutenant Dambitsch, who has been wounded on the Somme, publishes one of the first German accounts of the battle. After dwelling on the massively built positions regarded as practically indestructible. he says the enemy have showed the Germans several new things; in the first place the destruction of observation balloons by fireballs dropped from aeroplanes, and secondly the throwing of incredible numbers of aerial mines of unheard of calibres, Lieutenant Dambitsch says the shattering effect of the Aliies' air torpedoes, which create great erruptions everywhere, emphasises the awful destruction done by the heavy ordinary distances, smashing up the most formidable defences. "I saw," he says, "as far as the eye could reach crater after crater six feet deep. The earth between us was thrown up in wild chaos which included trench, timber and wire entanglements. Thus nine months' work carried on day and night was destroyed in a few minutes."

#### The "Deutschland."

New York, July 18.-There is excitement over the forthcoming depar-Office hours ... ... 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. ture of the Deutschland. A message ... . 9 a.m. to 12 noon. from the German Foreign Secretary, Herr Jagow, is published saying that "If the British are dastardly enough to sink the Deutschland, the United States are bound to protest in the name of civilisation and humanity.'

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#### Canadians at Ypres.

London, June 11 .- Details of the fight put up by the Canadians at Ypres on June 2nd, show that there has not been such deadly fighting elsewhere since the Loos battle, and yet the soldiers declared afterwards that they had had no chance to fight. Shells assailed their salient from the front and sides and even partly from the rear, but the Canadians showed wonderful courage and self-sacrifice. Hundreds of batteries opened fire between six o'clock and seven o'clock in the morning. The Canadians bad never heard such a thunder before. Trenches and even dug-outs could not exist and the order to retire was given at 1-10 p.m. A few men of the front line reached the supports. Some men refused to retire They went out to meet the enemy and died in the open. All was dust, smoke and noise, and it was impossible to see

or hear clearly. The second phase of the fight was different. Supporting battalions received their share of the bombardment, but the Germans did not anticipate the welcome awaiting them, for the Canadian bombers wrought great execution, especially in the communication trenches. An incident is related of a clergyman who, while fighting in the ranks, broke his bayonet. He fell while pounding a German with his fists. A private was killed, while tending his wounded chums who refused to aban-don an officer. The latter ordered the men to retire and he himself stayed on. He was last seen flinging an empty revolver in a German's face.

London, June 12 - A correspondent at General Haig's Headquarters in France states that the enemy are repeating here in a smaller degree their Verdun tactics. A recent bombardment disclosed the fact that high explosive shells fired from long a range naval gun on the enemy's higher ground in this zone, gives a preponderance of fire command which the Germans are utilising to the utmost. When it came to a test of sheer human courage and endurance recently, the superiority of the gallant Canadians was always demonstrated by results.

A correspondent writing from Pritish Headquarters states that though the Canadian counter attack on the 3rd ult. did not attain its full objective, it was worthy of Canadian traditions during the war. The outstanding feature of their personal superiority over the Germans was the extraordinary initiative of subordicates who assumed responsibility almost automatically. The correspondent adds that the German losses were undoubtedly high. If they intend to make a push for Ypres on the same scale as at Verdun, they

offensive, play our really tactical game.

#### The British Offensive.

London, July 8.-The British resumed the offensive on the 7th, after intense bombardment, to prepare the way for the infantry, which, in spite of the desperate resistance of the Germans, succeeded in making important progrees on a front of nearly four and a half miles. South of Thiepval the British carried a further portion of an immensely strong work, known as the Leipzig Redoubt," situated in a sailent on the German line and on which the enemy has exercised all his ingenuity during the list twenty months. West of Ovillers the British gained a footing in the German trenches on a length of 500 yards and are fiercely fighting for the village. East of La Boiselle, the British captured a maze of trenches on a front of nearly 2,000 yards to a depth of 500 yards, north of Fricourt. Lastly, in spite of the desperate efforts of the . Prussion Guards the British advanced in the direction of Contal Maison and for a time occupied the village, till a strong counterattack forced them out again. The enemy who was compelled to retire several times, over the open ground under fire of British artillery, sustained very severe losses.

#### The British Troops.

London, July 8. - The "Petit Parisien's "account of yesterday's fighting on the British front says in the attacks of the first two days of July, it was discovered that certain German posi-tions had been insufficiently battered. The infantry advance was consequently held up and the British high command thereupon ordered re-bombardment with a fire of unprecedented violence, and the artillery, profiting by experience, abandoned certain methods which had proved inadequate. The frightful bombardment was maintained for forty-eight hours. Then the infantry dashed into the enemy trenches with magnificent spirit. The Germans seeing how irresistibly the British were advancing brought up the Prussian Guards. Our troops fought heroically against the Kaiser's chosen who were unable to recover the ground lost or even to prevent further advance.

AN APPEAL TO WORKERS. Viscount Esher writing to a friend in Glasgow from France appeals to the workers "not to waste a single hour but to put every ounce into the scale now that the supreme moment is at hand. The game is going fast in favour of the Allies. The ball is now passed to us for the final rush. Germany must not be allowed to die a will have to pay a price on the Verdun, scale. The Germans, by taking the offensive relative translation of the same scale as at verdun, they lingering death. I hope to see you but not before a glorious peace is well in sight."

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#### Political Crisis in Italy.

London, June 18.—The Daily Telegraph Rome correspondent reports: The Parliamentary situation in Italy is somewhat serious. Several Liberal deputies reproach the Givernment for withholding from Parliament. ment for withholding from Parliament information regarding military and diplomatic relation and also for isolating themselves from the opinion of the nation and the Allies. The Government was technically defeated yesterday on a motion granting monthly votes on account, the Chamber refusing to insert words expressing confidence in the Government. The Premier, Signor Salandra, who previously participated in the discussion said the debate was specially important in view of the gravity of the present moment, when the Chamber demanded an explanation of the international and military situation, on which the attention of Parliament and the country was anxiously fixed.

The Premier declared that the unity of the Allies was constantly increasing. He instanced Italy's resistance, enabling the Russians to advance victoriously. The same co-operation, he said was seen in economic and financial measures notably in the forthcoming Paris Conference though no definite engagement would be made. Italy's future action would be reserved for Parliament's decision. "Favourable conditions" he added have enabled the enemy to gain an initial success on the Italian front. We must have the manly courage to admit that, if we had been better prepared for the enemy's advance, we could have held it up a little longer, but it has been arrested, and the Austrians have made little progress since their first easy success. He vance after adequate artillery prepara-would be a bold man who would say tion are machine guns and "barrage" since their first easy success. He the critical moment has been successfully passed because the Austrian flanks have been stopped by our heroic resistance in the centre, but we can view the final outcome with confidence."

#### The Economic Conference,

Paris June 13.—The British Ambassador, yesterday, welcomed the Marquis of Crewe, Mr. Bonar Law and Mr. Hughes British Delegates to the Economic Conference. "Le Matin states." In desiring an immediate grouping of economic forces against Germany and denial of economic equality to Germany after the war, Mr. Hughes expresses the bulk of the that Lord Kitchener, has gone Mr. Hughes is the most popular and clearsighted statesman in the empire. The

#### The Fighting on the Somme.

London, July 5 .- The "Times military correspondent wires from Paris that owing to the amount of forces moved on our side preparatory to the offensive, to the long time taken to complete our arrangements and to the warning of long bombardment, the enemy learned beforehand the direction of our attack and our artillery preparation against a series of strongly defended villages was less effective than was hoped. German masses were moved early to deliver their reply attacks before we overcame these field fortresses. We can feel sure the British attack will continue with increasing vigour till its first objective is completely attained. Everyone recognises that the struggle would be desperate before definite results are gained.

The Central News correspondent at Amsterdam hears from Northern France that Germany appears to be preparing a strong counter-offensive on the Belgian frontier to Arras.

Dislike of Bayonet.

London, July 7.—Perhaps the most remarkable feature of the Press Correspondents' accounts of the Anglo-French offensive is the total absence of any reference to desperate bayonet fighting. One writer complains that he was posted where he was told he would see a fine scrap. He saw only an abject surrender. Many of our men were picked off while advancing, but the moment they reached the German trenches, the enemy rushed out with hands up. It is plain that the only serious obstacles to our infantry adartillery fire. The foregoing reference to abject surrender applies only to the German infantry's refusal to fight to the finish with the bayonet.

#### **Encouraging Marriage**,

The "Neuste Nachrichten" of Leipzig in a scare article on the position of Germany's family life after the war. says that in 1914, half the marriageable women remained single owing to the dearth of men, and suggests the taxes should be imposed to encourage marriage and to discourage bachelordom. All families exceeding a certain number should be completely freed from taxes. No unmarried official opinion in the Empire, whatever may | should receive an increase of salary and be the opinion of his colleagues. Now each new child should bring promotion to the father.

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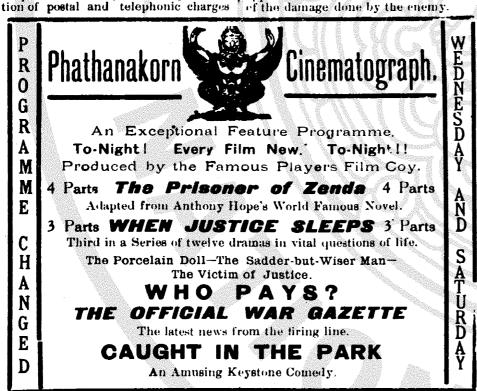
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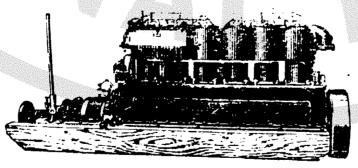
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#### War. Great

#### A Turkish Advance.

(REUTER'S TELEGRAM.) London, July 24.

Official.-The Turks are reported to have advanced westward from El Eriesp to five miles east of Katia where they are entrenching. Our mounted troops are in contact with the enemy. Hostile aircraft attacked Sucz on the

21st instant. There were a few casual-

#### **Battle Resumed on** British Front.

(REUTER'S TELEGRAM.)

London, July 24. General Haig's communiqué reports

that the battle was resumed to-day on the whole front from Pozieres to Guil-Near Pozieres the outer German

works were carried by Australians and Territorials. Violent fighting is pro-

#### Fierce Fighting on Russian Front.

(REUTER'S TELEGRAM.)

London, July 24. Petrograd Communiqué.—There was fierce fighting on the left wing on the Riga positions. The Russians penetrated enemy works at several points.

#### French and British Fronts.

(HAVAS TELEGRAM) Paris, July 22.

Yesterday we took some trenches south of the Somme, capturing prisoners.

The British continued their great attack north of the Somme. They threw back the enemy, having penetrated into Longueval and Bois Del-

To-day we made attacks on both banks of the Somme. We took the whole of the German first line, capturing 4(0) prisoners. We penetrated into trenches in Champagne and brought back prisoners.

We made progress on the Meuse, west of Thiaumont Work. We carried a strongly fortified work south of Fleury capturing 150 prisoners. We brought down two enemy aero-

(HAVAS TELEGRAM.) Paris, July 23.

Yesterday on the right of the Meuse we progressed in the reigon of Fleury taking 70 prisoners.

The British destroyed six aeroplanes. To-day on the Somme front, we repulsed attacks south of Soyecourt.

#### The Russian Front.

(HAVAS TELEGRAM.) Paris, July 22.

Petrograd. - There was artillery activity on the Riga front. We made considerable progress south of Trebi-

zond and Baiburt. Newspapers announce that the Russian offensive in the region of Riga carried three lines of trenches.

(HAVAS TELEGRAM.)

Paris, July 23. Petrograd.-In the Riga region, we repulsed the enemy south of the Lipa. We captured Doreskaschko. On the 20th and 21st July we took 12,000 pri-

On the right of the Styr we captured the 13th Austrian Lamdwehlbregiment, In the Caucasus we made progress in the direction of Foll.

#### Italian Front.

(HAVAS TELEGRAM.)

Paris, July 23.

Rome. We made progress at a number of points, notably between the A lige and the Brenta. We took 253

#### **Food Riots.**

(HAVAS TELEGRAM.) Paris, July 22.

Berne.—Disorders caused by famine have broken out at Aix la Chapelle, Charlotembourg and Leipzig which have been proclaimed to be in a state of siege.



Court Circular.

GRAND PALACE, Monday, July 24th. This afternoon, at Amarindra Hall, His Majesty the King granted the usual official andience, after which His Excellency Chao Phys Abhai Raja, Minister of Justice and His Excellency Chao Phys Dharma Minister of the Chao Phya Dharmá, Minister of the Royal Household were received in pri-

vate audience by His Majesty. Before the general audience His Majesty granted audience to the Princesses, Ladies of the Palace and wives of officials.

#### LOCAL AND GENERAL

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WE regret to announce the death which occurred yesterday of the infant son of Phra Chinda Pirom, Chief Judge

of the Civil Court.

THE Siam Forest Co. have transferred the agencies of the Messageries Fluviales de Cochin-Chine, Messageries Maritimes and Chargeurs Réunis to Mr. Malcolm Béranger.

--:():-THE s.s. "Kajang" left Singapore on Sunday the 23rd inst., at 6 p.m. with the European (British India) mail on board and may be expected to arrive at the Borneo Company's wharf on Wednesday evening.

AMONG those who lost their lives in the great naval battle was Commander W. M. James, who in early boyhood was the model for the picture by Millais known as "Bubbles," which has since been used as an advertisement by Pears Soap.

ALL ranks, as soon as they land in France, are, says the Manchester Guardian, urgently warned against answering questions asked them by people whom they don't know-even though the questioner is apparently a British officer, for enemy agents have been found in the uniform of all ranks. A certain conscientious young sub. was in the front I'me the other day, when a major on the Divisional Staff came along, and began questioning the boy with a view to testing his alertness and efficiency. "What trench is this?" "I don't know, sir." "What regiment is on your right?" "I don't know, sir." "How do your rations come up?" "I don't know, sir." "Well, you don't seem to know much, young fellow; do you?" "Excuse me, sir, but I don't know who you are."

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LORD Kitchener had several narrow scapes, and at least one was from death by drowning. When engaged in the survey of Palestine he got into difficulties when saving the life of Major Conder, the leader of the expedition, who had been carried away by a strong current while bathing. At Safed, in Galilee, there was trouble with some fanatical Moslems, both Kitchener and Conder were wounded, and in addition a negro made an attempt to cut Kitchener down with a scimitar. Malaria followed, and one burning afternoon Kitchener gave way to his emotion by yelling: "For the Lord's sake, give me some of that beer!" A mine explosion at Chatham permanently injured his right eye. At Suakim a bullet broke in his jaw, where it always remained, and soon after his arrival in India Lord Kitchener fractured his leg.

#### Anxiety in Germany.

A message dated July 11 says: The Daily Telegraph's Rotterdam correspondent says that the outlook of the German people has changed in the last four days from one of confidence to one of the deepest anxiety. It was first believed that the western offensive had failed since the German line remained unbroken. Now the whole country is suddenly awakened. It is not only the general public that is alarmed. In government and higher military circles at Berlin the future is regarded, if not with gloom, with serious forebodings. The correspondent mentions various signs that the public are being prepared for bad news. The censorship no longer prevents discussion of the food question, and pessimistic harvest reports are published. The Daily News correspondent at Rotterdam wires to the same effect and quotes Major Moraht as writing: "In the west as everywhere else the great question for us is the staving off of decisive

#### Akorn Ha Yong's Appeal

The appeal of Akorn Ha Yong, Nai Hok and Nai Mun against their conviction and sentence by the Criminal Court for the murder of Luang Tavi Watana, the Amphur of Talat Mai on the 8th of July last year was fixed for hearing this morning. When the Judges Phya Dharmasart, Phya Charoen, Phya Picharana, Phra Upai and Phra Sucharit came on the bench at 11 a.m. the Court was crowded and quite a large number of people had gathered in the corridor unable to get admit-

Mr. F. M. Brooks, Attorney for Akorn Ha Yong, addressed the Court at length and concluded at 3 p.m. Phra Vijit Montri having addressed the Court on behalt of his clients Nat Hok and Nat Mun, the Court intimated that they would hear the Attorney-General's arguments for the Crown to-morrow

#### Post-War Policy.

London, July 18.-Mr. Asquith has appointed a committee of seventeen to consider the commercial and industrial policy to be adopted after the war. with reference to the conclusions of the Economic Conference of the Allies. and the following questions: The steps to maintain and establish industries essential to the safety of the nation; the steps to recover home and foreign trade lost during the war; and

the steps to secure new markets.

Also the means of developing the resources of the Empire, and preventing the sources of supply within the Empire from falling under foreign

Lord Balfour of Burleigh is chairman, and the committee includes Mr. Balfour, the Labour member Mr. Gosling, Sir E. Birchenough, and Mr. Hewins, M.P.

London, July 19.—In the House of Lords, Lord Sydenham asked whether the firm of Schroeder and Schmitt, Bombay, which had been closed, was still dealing in manganese ore under the name of the Ettlinger Company, of which there was an adjunct at

Islington. Since his previous speech, he said, he had found that Ettlingers, before the war, were in close relations with a firm in Frankfurt. Orders were issued terminating the firm's trade inIndia.

In order to secure complete power over such firms, the Government of India was issuing two new ordinances, one empowering it to prohibit or restrict imports in any way it sees fit, and the second closely following the British Fuent Act ading with

The Government of India long ago prevented hostile firms from conduct. ing business in India for the benefit of enemy interests, but for the purpose of determining what was a hostile firm it was necessary to decide whether a firm whose business was carried on before the war for the benefit of enemy interests was likely to be resumed on similar lines after the war. This would give the Government of India power to close down firms which had been closed down but were preparing to resume after the war.

Lord Sydenham expressed his approval of these ordinances.

#### The Penalties of Conscience.

London, July 18. In the House of Commons, in reply to Mr. Snowden, Mr. Chamberlain said that the regulation prohibiting conscientious objectors from entering the examination for the Indian Civil Service was made under section 97 of the Government of India Act 1915, and was justified, because a person having moral objections to use force by the State in any circumstances could not perform all the duties requirable of Indian civilians who were responsible for the maintenance of

#### Lost Liking for War Maps.

London, July 16.-A most significant announcement has been made by the semi-official Cologne Gazette, that it is little use to publish maps giving lines of position because they are so elastic and are so repeatedly changing in detail that no reliable picture can be produced. This is remarkable, as the German papers hitherto have published detailed maps. The British Press Bureau on the other hand has supplied a photographic reproduction of the map of the German positions captured, complete to the smallest de-

#### French Surprised, but Recover.

Paris, July 16.-The communique says that south of the Somme yesterday evening the Germans, under cover of fog, crept along the canal and violently attacked, and captured by surprise La Maisonette and Biaches, but we vigorously counter-attacked and regained both, as well as a copse to the northward where a few Germans are

still holding out. We progressed west and south of Fleury, where, besides at Chenois and La Laufee, there was most intense

artillery duels. Our aeroplanes were most active on the Somme and felled four German machines in the enemy lines. Two others were badly hit and were obliged

to descend. French air squadrous bombed the railway stations of Abbecourt, Tergnier, Chaumy, Hombleux, Roise and a heavy battery near the last named place

#### Feeling the Pinch.

London, July 18 .- There are indications that owing to the severity of the blockade Germany may resume her extreme submarine policy. London, July 18.-The steamers Euphorbia (British) and Sirra (Ita-

lian ) have been sunk

London, July 18 .- The British steamer Virginia and three smacks have been torpedoed. The Virginia's captain and forty-seven men, including six wounded lascars, were landed at Malta. The chief officer is missing and one lascar was killed.

Steamer Sinks U-Boat. London, July 18.—The captain of the British steamer Lecoq, 3,419 tons, reports that on June 18 a submarine opened fire on him at four miles, rapidly closing. We opened with our gun. The fifth shot appeared to hit. The submarine however kept up a constant fire, and a shell pierced the main steampipe. I ordered the crew to the boats, leaving three engineers, the boatswain, myself and two gunners on board.

"I continued to fire, and the twentysixth shot got the submarine on the waterline and it disappeared in a cloud of smoke. A French patrol boat came up and I informed him of the facts. and was picking up my men and beats when a second submarine fired at two thousand yards. We narrowly escaped. We then fired three shots, causing

the submarine to submerge."
Stockholm, July 18.—A Russian submarine has torpedoed the German steamer Cyrma.

#### Patriotic Workers.

Munitions to Meet all Needs.

London, July 18.—The National Conference of Trade Unionists in London has decided to postpone all holidays till the end of the war.

A letter was read from General Haig appealing to munition makers to support the Army, and saying that two idle days would possibly add many months to the war. The pressure on the enemy must not for a moment be relaxed. The troops were eager to maintain it, but a continuous supply of ammunition was vital. "I am sure this appeal will not be in vain. Let the whole nation forego its holidays till the goal is reached. A speedy and decisive victory will then be ours."

The Conference by unanimous vote sent a message assuring General Haig that the supply of munitions would not only be maintained but would be increased in every possible way Mr. Montagu assured the Conference

that the workers would not suffer. London, July 18.—The Trades Union Congress decided to send the resolution to all the Allied commanders as showing the spirit of the British workmen.

#### Votes for Soldiers.

London, July 19,-Sir H. S. Samuel will to-morrow move for a Select Courmittee to consider the practicability and desirability of preparing a new register, including the representation of those engaged in the war or in war work, for conducting an election thereon during the war.

#### A General in Audience.

London, July 18.—There is some speculation regarding an audience which General Willcocks had of his Majesty yesterday.

#### King Constantine's Escape.

Athens, July 15 .- The fire at Tatoi is still raging. The Crown Prince's residence has been destroyed. The Queen escaped from the Royal Chateau carrying the Princess Catherine. The King remained to the last and escaped to recommend a direct war cont with great difficulty. Many soldiers tion to the Imperial Government. are missing.

#### Hashish in Egypt.

Cairo, July 16.-The Commander in Chief has issued a proclamation imposing a fine of a thousand pounds (Egyptian) or five years imprisonment, or both, for importing or attempting to import, or assisting in Egypt or elsewhere in the importation of, hashish.

#### Operations Near Suez.

London, July 16.—General Murray reports that two columns, operating from Tor and Abu Zeneima respectively on the Sinai shore of the Gulf of Suez, returned to their bases after successful raids on enemy posts in the peninsula. The columns covered sixty miles of difficult country and captured prisoners and livestock, despite opposition, and returned without casualties to either, column.

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#### The Russians.

Petrograd, July 16 .-- The Russians have stormed Baiburt, a most important strategic point in Armenia.

Petrograd, July 16.-The communiqué says that the Russians on the right. wing of the Riga front, supported by artillery and warships, have slightly progressed to the west of Kemmern.

Petrograd, July 17.—The communipré says that south-east of Struniska, west of Lutsk, the enemy attacked in masses at many points but were driven

The Russians crushed a desperate resistance in the sectors of Oshoff and Goubine and began to envelop the enemy, who fled, abandoning several heavy and field-guns. Up to now three thousand prisoners have been counted.

#### Tsar's Troops in France.

Paris, July 16. -- The Russian troops received their baptism of fire on the the western front. They attacked the enemy's trenches and took prisoners, who were dumbfounded to be in the hands of the Tsar's soldiers in France.

Petrograd, July 18.-The hammering given the Austro Germans in the Ostroff-Gubin sector, twenty miles south-west of Lutzk, is a great tactical success. The Russians smashed the enemy front on a width of a mile and penetrated to a depth of several miles. The enemy has been most active here since the Russian throst at Lutzk. Bulgarians are co-operating with the Germans in the Baranovitchi sector.

#### Shelled by Their Own Guns,

Petrograd, July 18 .- The communiqué says : On the Riga front the Germans in many places mule vain attempts to recapture their lost trenches. The victory in Volhynia has completely cleared the enemy from the northern bank of the Lips.

We are using the captured heavy guns to bombard his positions on the south bank. The abundance of captured material shows that he retired in great disorder. German prisoners are in all sorts of uniforms, showing the mixed character of the latest formations.

Petrograd, July 18.—The communique says that the Cossacks made an impetnons advance from Plastonny and captured thirty-four Turkish officers and 608 Askaris, with two machine-guns.

#### Items of Interest.

Landon, July 18.-1,174 Irish prisoners who were able to establish their non-complicity in the rebellion have been released.

London, July 18.—New Zealand has subscribed £44,000 for the dependants of those killed in the Intland Battle.

London, July 16,-The steamers

and Sylvia have been sunk. The crew of the Alto were saved, London, June 18,-An Italian communique records continued progress at

Silverton (British) and Ecclesia, Alto

Pasubio, Posina and Astico, despite the vigorous resistance of the enemy. Washington, July 15.-Justice Clark of Ohio has been nominated Supreme lourt Judge in succession to Judge

Hughes, the presidential candidate. Amsterdam, July 16.-A telegram from Constantinople says that a Schuette Lanz dirigible has arrived at Constantinople, causing great enthusiasm.

Amsterdam, July 17 .- A meeting of delegates representing 150,000 organised workmen passed a resolution urging Government to supply and distribute

foodstuffs. Hongkong, July 15.-It is stated that at a conference of the Governor and the unofficial members of the Legislative and Executive Councils, it was agreed to recommend a direct war contribu-

London, July 18.—The Belgians have defeated an enemy force south-west of Lake Victoria, capturing seventeen Europeans, many native troops and targe booty. The German losses were severe, only a remnant escaping. The enemy was pursued southward.

London, July 15 .- The Times says that side by side with a thorough reformation of the Indian system of military control thereshould bean emphatic reversion to the observance of statutes which enjoin that India must be governed by the Governor General-in-Council.

London, July 16.—The Italian communique reports heavy fighting at Posina, lespite violent thunderstorms. We progressed south of Borcola, and in the Boite Valley, where the enemy, strongly reinforced, made several counter-attacks which were driven off with

An enemy counter attack at Tolana

London, July 18 .- Sir Roger Casement's appeal against the death sentence has been dismissed. The case may go to the House of

Lords. The Attorney General was not called on. The Court held that adherence to the King's enemies without the Realm constituted treason the same as within the Realm. His subjects owed him (Telephone 133.)

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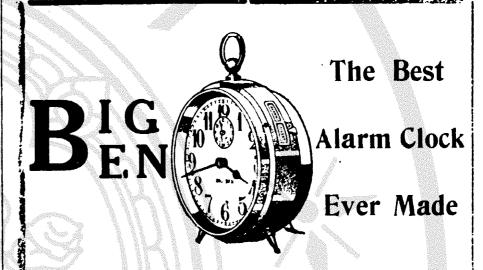
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Gallant Cavairy Charge.

Lindon, July 16 .- Reuter's correspon ient at headquarters, describing the cavalry action, says: The Deceans and Dragoon Guards started early on Friday morning a patrol to reconnoitre and co-operate and cover our flanks. The attacking infantry and trenchmen cheered to the echo as the troopers clattered past. Their route lay over a perfect morass of crater broken ground, disused trenches and wrecked entanglements. The Germans spotted them between Bazentin and Mametz and opened guns and maxims on them. The casualties were few as their ranks were opened. Some dismounted and poured in a heavy fire on machine gun emplacements most effectively.

From behind the waving corn came

the crackle of small-arms, a half-troop each of the Dragoons and Deccans riding in advance in extended order, the former with their lances, the latter with their sabres trotting sharply.

"When they were ordered to charge, it was like a polo-field dash," said an officer, "only the men were too grim to cheer. We stuck from fifteen to twenty beggars, and thirty more hands-upped - a decent little show, but it was a pity that it was not bigger." The cavalrymen were withdrawn at dusk to help the infantry to consolidate the ground won.

A pleasing incident of the fight was

the camaraderie of the Deccans and Mohammedans.

London, July 17.-Reuter's representative says: A British monoplane did a very plucky act. When the caval-ry were fusilladed from a dense copse, monoplane swooped down within three hundred feet of the horsemen. It encircled the copse four times till it had emptied all the drums of its machinegun and then soured up after signalling the enemy positions. The Deccans rode hard at a grassy bank whence a desultory fusillade resulted. Eight Germans emerged, howling for mercy, and clung to the horses' legs till the infantry came up and captured them.

The cavalry, never losing touch with
the infantry, rode right to the last new German trench, which vas deserted save for some few machine-gunners. The opportunity to charge came near

London, July 17.-The troops at the front went most quickly, piercing the ! second line for the first time on the western front. They say the evil spell and successful advance of the continued and successful advance of the troops.

The British left from Hebuterne to He conveys the Tsar's congratulations. troops farther south were individually aware that it was up to them to reach | gracious appreciations the second line, so that thus they could

break all. They worked most feverishly to be ready for the second blow the rapidity of whose delivery testified to the wonderful general-ship and organisation. It was the British line regiments, English, Scots, Irish and Welsh, assisted only by South Africans, who achieved the feat of smashing the fortifications on which the Germans had spent two years and massed men and guns during the last ten days to

An unprecedented feature in such great and fierce flighting was that there were absoutely no stragglers. The men of all classes have "done their job" with unfaltering gallantry and determination.

The work was all the more difficult as the fighting was all uphill, a gradual rice to 200 feet, with many intervening hollows. Yet the infantry were so keen that they swept over the first trenches in a single rush in the darkness, and at some places were so ahead of schedule time that they had to wait impatiently till the guns "lifted."

The enemy was apparently overwhelmed before he could pull himself together, but beyond the first lines the woods were strongly held, with maxims and rifles. Here the losses were more serious.

The whole operation was successful beyond hopes, but the top ridge remains to be crowned. Then the German commanding position will be re-

London, July 17.—The concensus of opinion is that the casualties in the great attack have been small compared with the wonderful feat achieved. No unit suffered comparably with the New-foundlanders, whose losses on the 1st were the heaviest of any unit so far: nor the London battalion, who second them, also on the 1st.

Naturally, there were sometimes heavy losses, especially where the wire was uncut, and the self sacrificing of the first waves cleared the way for their successors.

The South Africans were in the

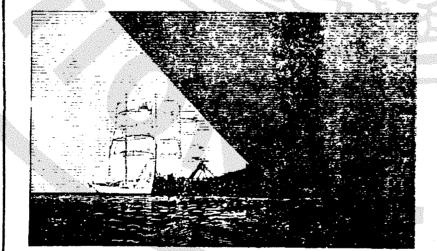
fore-front near Foureaux, a high wood at an altitude of 500 feet, the highest point in the neighbourhood, where the German third line was penetrated, and wherein the detachment remained all Saturday night covering the consolidators of the position behind.

The country beyond the ridge, commanded from Foureaux, is less wooded and broken, and is more favourable for further operation.

London, July 18.—The King has telegraphed to Sir Douglas Haig his

conveying the army's thanks for these

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#### Russian Strategy.

Petrograd, June 18th.—Correspondents eulogise the gallantry of the Russian officers who are invariably in the forefront of the attacks. The flight. Infantry, cavalry, guns, hospital supply trains were inextricably mixed up and all struggling, in the absence of orders, towards Tarchin. A portion of the mass took the Charukoff Road, but quickly retreated from there on learning that the Russians had enveloped Lutzk from the south. A • Russian armoured car detachment before Lutzk dashed through gun, machine gun, and rifle fire, and broke the enemy's line. It scattered enemy reserves, enabling the infantry to occupy the trenches and enter the town almost without casualties. Several French prisoners, employed in building officers' summer barracks in the Styr region, were rescued. The battle northwestward of Buczacz covers a 12 mile front. The Austro-Germans are evacuating the towns and villages southward of Pripet on the left bank of the river. The strongly fortified region of Czernowitz is the scene of fierce fighting. The town is almost demolished, but the enemy are still clinging to the suburbs. The Russians have nearly surrounded them, interposing a barrier which is preventing the garrisons join. ing with the Austrians in Bukowina. Two German corps are hastening to Galicia and two Bulgarian Divisions are proceeding to Bukowina. The Austrians yesterday abandoned a badly damaged armoured train. A wounded Russian officer states that the Germans, in attempting to check General Brussiloff's advance, employed their favourite battering, ram stroke. They threw three divisions forward but the Russian artillery smashed each one up. Petrograd, June 18th.—General von

Mackensen has been appointed to command the Germans south of Dwinsk. This indicates that the Kaiser no longer places implicit confidence in von Hindenberg General Mackensen will con-trol von Hindenberg's right wing in and also the entire group of Austre-Germans under Prince Leopold of Bavaria, which is holding the river Niemen to Polessic. Military critics comment ironically on the Germans having sent General Ludendorff, Chief of the Staff, Northern Armies, to assist the Austrians and upon his having remained there. They say that a solitary officer; however talented is a poor substitute for tens of thousands of bayonets. The Austrians are in dire need, and the Germans do not dare seriously to weaken their northern front although they have sent some troops southwards. The first German reinforcements which arrived were a division of Guards, who made a desperate endeavour to arrest the Russian advance from Lutzk but they failed and suffer; the Home Rule Amending Bill will be

critics all agree that the Russians will not continue their attacks on Volhynia, but will follow up their advantages in the Bukowina and threaten Hungary in accordance with the demands both of strategy and politics. The loss of Ausevacuation of Lutzk was a panic stricken | portant than the regaining by Russia trian territory is ten times more imof her own land. The latter would not materially influence the political state of the campaign, whereas if she could show that enemy territory was in her occupation it would change the aspect of things very greatly. The pos-sibility of the Russians crossing the Carpathians into Transylvania is much discussed. The crossing by even small columns would make relations with Rumania very difficult.

#### Kovel's Importance

London July 5.-The "Tim's" Petrograd correspondent likens the situation to cricket. General Kalendin, commanding the Lutzk, salient, is blooking balls while General Lechitsky makes runs. General Letchitsky not only opened the way to the important railway behind the Austrians running from Kolomea to Stanislan, Lemberg and Ravarusska, but moving westwards along the railway from Kolomea is only six miles distant from Delatyn where a branch line diverges to Stanislau and carries most of General Bothmer's supplies and provides a way of retreat to Hungary.

Writers who have been insisting that the vital matter on the eastern front was the attack on Kovel to-day recognise the importance of the operasions on the Russian left which a week ago were almost ignored. The enemy reports claim some successes between the Dniester and the Pruth, but this will prove illusory if the Russians succeed in reaching the Delatyn rail

Meanwhile according to the "Daily Mails's" Rotterdam correspondent great alarm has been created in the enemy's camp by the Russian's new blow in the neighbourhood of Barano-

#### Imperial Unionist A sociation.

London, July 18.—The Imperial Committee has been rechristened the Imperial Unionist Association and watches the negotiations between the Government and Nationalists. Seventy-six peers and ninety-eight Commoners have so far joined. Lord Salisbury presided at a meeting yesterday evening which passed a resolution viewing with apprehension the establishment of an Irish Parliament and executive.

#### The Irish Question.

London, July 17.—In the House of Commons, Mr. Asquith announced that ed heavily losing many prisoners.

London, July 1st.—The "Morning manent settlement of the Irish question Post's" Buda Pesth correspondent writ- will be considered by an Imperial Coning on the 22nd June says:-Military ference after the war.

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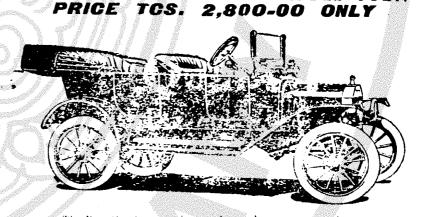
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#### Bungled Campaigns.

Politicians Crying Over Spilt Milk.

#### How Not to Make War.

London, July 18.—In the Honse of Commons, Mr. Asquith said that the Dardanelles papers could not be published at present except in an incomplete form. The War Council were unanimously of opinion that publication would assist the enemy. Every step in Mesopotamia had been taken on the consent and advice of the military

As regards the conduct of the campaign there had undoubtedly been incidents which had aroused anxiety and doubt as to whether the best means had been adopted to secure the end in

The Commission of Inquiry into the medical arrangements in Mesopotamia had reported that when they left everything possible was being done. The Government was satisfied that imperfections of transport were being remedied. He suggested a discussion on Thursday.

Carson Raises a Howl.

Thursday's debate will be on a mo-

tion of Sir E. Carson's for the appointment of a Select Committee to inquire into the operations in the Dardanelles, Gallipoli and Mesopotamia.

The Liberal war group has tabled a resolution with reference to the inadequacy of transport and medical arrangements in Mesopotamia. This is tantamount to a vote of censure. The group has also decided to support Sir E. Carson's motion.

London, July 17.—In the House of Commons, in reply to Sir H. Craik, Mr. Chamberlain announced that he had asked the Viceroy to expedite consideration of the report as to the medical arrangements in Mesopotamia by anthorities in India, and address it to him with their observations as soon as possible.

How Secrets are Kept.
Sir H. Craik asked if the contents of the report were not common know-

Mr. Chamberlain said that this was quite possible, but it ought not to be so, because the report only reached the Government of India very recently, and he had not a copy himself. He emphasised that it was right that the Government of India and the Imperial Government should have an opportunity of examining the report prior to publication. He assured the House that everything possible was being done to ameliorate conditions.

Common-Sense Somewhere.
Mr. Forster stated that the War

Office had complied with all demands hitherto made.

The Army Council strongly opposed the publication of the Mesopotamia papers as they would furnish the enemy with valuable information, and the General Staff was of opinion—that publication would prejudice—the success of

operations now proceeding.

Transport Problem Mastered.

London, July 18.—In the House of Commons, Mr. Asquith emphasised that military considerations in Mesopotamia. He declared that the Government was convinced that transport difficulties would soon completely disappear as far as local conditions permitted.

Sir E. Carson undertook to frame a motion for discussion on Thursday.
In the House of Lords, Lord Crewe made a similar statement to Mr. Asquith's. A discussion was fixed for Thursday.

#### Eton's New Head,

London, July 17.—The Reverend C. A. Alington, for many years head-master of Shrewsbury, has been elected headmaster of Eton.

#### Imperialistic Hughes.

London, July 17.—Premier Hughes has visited Capetown, Bloemfontein and Kimberley and made strongly imperialistic speeches. He has now sailed for Australia. General Botha was unable to meet him as he was visiting German East Africa.

#### War's Enormous Cost.

London, July 17.—In the House of Commons, Mr. McKenna said that Beitain's total expenditure was now six million pounds daily.

#### A Mediterranean Casualty.

London, July 17. The steamer Ecclesia was sunk by a submarine in the Mediterranean. The captain and eighteen men have landed at Algiers.

#### Casement's Appeal.

A Traitor's Technicalities.
London, July 17.—In the Court of Criminal Appeal, Mr. Justice Darling presiding, there began the hearing of Casement's appeal, Serjeant Sullivan indicated that the appeals were based on the grounds, firstly, that the charge was not an offenee within the status cited, and seconally that the Chief Justice's definition of a thering to the

King's enemies was inaccurate.

#### Plucky Little Portugal.

Paris, July 16—L'Eclair publishes an interview with the Portuguese Premier stating that Portugal is ready to assist the Allies by sending troops to France or elsewhere whenever the Allies desire that course of events, Portugal's financial resources determining the number to be sent.

#### War Savings Week.

Mr McKenna Exhorts the Nation. London, July 17.—At the opening of the National War Savings Week, Mr Mc-Kenna in a letter points out that it coincides with the opening of the greatest military effort in British hisfory, not a battle of a day or two but a long, patient and arduous offersive demanding unimaginable sacrifices by the soldiers. He urges civilians to make the greatest financial effort in history.

#### Telegraph Lines.

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