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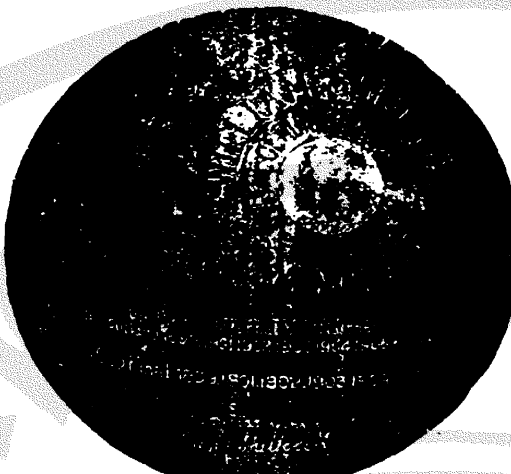
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7 2 00 12 0 11 12 5 6

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13 7 00 12 0 ...

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P.M.

H. W. Ft. & in. (Approx.)

July

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When the Arabs, in the name of the Prophet, over-ran the rich portions of the Near East, they divided Mesopotamia into two great provinces. The alluvial lands of ancient Babylonia became Irak, and the upper portion of the country Jazirah.

East of Jazirah, and occupying what is the north-west corner of the Persia of to-day, was the province of Adharbayjan, modern Adharbaijan, fertile to an extreme and destined to become one of the world's greatest mining centres. It has an area three times that of Belgium, with a population of less than two millions, and is the most cherished province which Persia possesses. It is the upper steps of a rolling table-land forming a portion of the great Iranian Plateau. It is a country that has a dry climate of which the aridity is steadily increasing, and it has abundant water flowing from springs which have their sources both in the central volcanoes (which have enormously enriched the soil) and in the mountain ranges which hem it about.

It is, indeed, a vast agricultural district assiduously cultivated. Irrigation is practised, and the basin of the salt lake of Urmia is famous for the production of rice, tobacco, indigo, madder and fruit, its grapes, too, are magnificent.

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The city itself, which is the largest and the principal commercial emporium of Persia, has had its vicissitudes. The province which it guards was of far more importance after the Mongol invasion than it was under the Kaliphate. It was off the line of caravan traffic in the earlier times; it had no really large cities, and commerce was not induced by the various dialects spoken. Town after town rose, in later years, to be the provincial capital. At first Ardabil to the extreme east, then, under the later Kaliphs, Tabriz took first place, to be ousted from that position by Maraghab, south of it, after the Mongol invasion. Then Tabriz reasserted itself, and Ardabil wrested its prominence from it, but not permanently, for Tabriz once more became the capital in the seventeenth

century and has held pride of place ever since.

Twice destroyed by earthquakes and twice re-built, it once had a mighty wall about it, fifteen miles in circumference. Its beautiful Friday mosque glittered with blue and green tiles in the steady sky, and the courtyard was cool with marble flagging and a great tank of crystal water; a whole market was given to the sale of rich eastern goods, so that it seemed a vision of fairy-land rather than the busy quarter of a prosaic city of commerce. There was an ambergris market, too, and one where musk alone was sold, subtly scenting the air about. Its bazaars were filled with all the products of the east, much as they are to-day: rare silks, purple velvets, embroidery, and delicately woven woollen fabrics, in rainbow colours presented a feast of beauty to the eye.

Under the Kaliphate there was a great branch road from the Khurasan road, which went from Bagdad to the farther east. This northern branch entered Adharbayjan and went to Sizar, whence it moved on to Barzab, bifurcating its eastern branch connecting Maraghab, Tabriz and Ardabil. The later Mongol road system came up from Zanjan, its left branch reaching Tabriz, ultimately crossing the north-western frontier, and connecting with Erzerum and Sivas. These great caravan routes and their subsidiary connections interlaced the nearer east like the veins in a gigantic leaf. To-day, a great overland trunk road runs from Szent, connecting Europe by way of the Bosphorus to Eizenau, where road from Trebizond on the Black Sea joins it; and the main road, joined by one from Trans-Caucasia, moves directly forward to Tabriz.

The whole province of Adharbayjan has long been closely connected by way of the Tabriz-Trebizond road with the Turkish Empire, which thus has an open road to Central Asia and beyond—at the command of its German taskmaster. The Trans-Caucasian railway of Russia has long bidden for the trade of Tabriz against the caravan route to Erzerum; and with Kars in Turkish hands, might be used for further purposes, for the great fortress city is connected by rail with Tabriz by way of Alexandropol and Erivan.

Germany's protestations that Persia is to have her integrity respected is flatly contradicted by her actions. The march to Odesa, with a view to easy transit across the Black Sea to Trebizond and Bismarck, which is also connected by way of Tiflis and Erivan with Tabriz, speaks plainly enough of German intentions towards the rich province of Adharbayjan and its capital. Every Persian patriot realises that his country may become a pawn in the grandiose game for eastern empire which Germany is playing so subtly. He knows, too, that the Allies, who are fighting for the rights of nations to their freedom and their own territory, will see that Persia is not robbed of her greatest city and province, but will join with her in their protection.

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NOTIFICATION

BY THE
Liquidator of Businesses
of Enemy Subjects.

By a Notification of the Minister of Finance dated the 26th. June, B. E. 2461, the businesses of the Siam Stone-works Co., Ltd. and the S-savat Mines Co., Ltd. were ordered to be attached and wound up, and the undersigned liquidator appointed Liquidator there-fore.

Notice is hereby given that all persons who are creditors or debtors, or otherwise interested in any manner in the businesses of the above-named companies, are required to present written claims or demands, or pay their debts to the Liquidator at his office, Ministry of Finance, on or before the 3rd August, B. E. 2461. If this provision is not complied with, the Li-iquidator will not accept responsibility for any loss occasioned thereby.

Notification issued on the 3rd.
July, B. E. 2461.

(Signed) NAI SENG SRIYABHAYA,
Liquidator of the above-named
companies.

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Notice.

Notice is hereby given that Bhidiya Nathian Bridge (Tapan Lek) over Klong Bhadung Krung Kasam in Charoen Krung Road will be closed to traffic from the 8th. July 1918, owing to repairs, and will remain closed to traffic until the repairs are completed.

Local Sanitary Department.
28th. June, 1918.

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Notification of the Minister of Finance appointing a Liquidator for winding up Enemy Businesses under the Law For- bidding Trade with the Subjects of Enemy Countries.

Whereas the businesses of the Siam Stone-works Co., Ltd., and S-savat Mines L-d, Bong Maang Road, Bangkok, ap-pear to be carried on mainly for the benefit of persons of enemy nation-ality.

Therefore the said businesses are, in pursuance of Article 8 of the Law For- bidding Trade with the Subjects of Enemy Countries, ordered to be attached and wound up, and NAI SENG SRIYABHAYA appointed liquidator there-fore.

Notification issued on the 26th day of June B. E. 2461.

(Signed) KITTIYAKARA,
Minister of Finance.

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Notice.

Consignees are hereby notified that balances of cargo ex s.s. "Fushimi Maru", have arrived per s.s. "Chin-bua" on the 29th. instant, and will be landed and stored at our wharf at the risk, expense, and responsibility of Consignees.

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French Red Cross Fête.

There will be no entrance fee charged to the premises of the French Legation for the Red Cross Fête given on Saturday July 13th at 9 o'clock p.m. where there will be various attrac- tions, cinematograph, barracks, Chinese Theatre, Giant Wheel, etc., etc.

The Bridge and Card Games En- trance Fee has been fixed to Ticals 5 a player.

Guests are requested to reply at Mr. Pradère-Niquet, Secretary of the French Red Cross Committee, and Bridge and Card Players are kindly requested to send in their names and table-fours, at earlier convenience to Madame Malouin Béranger.

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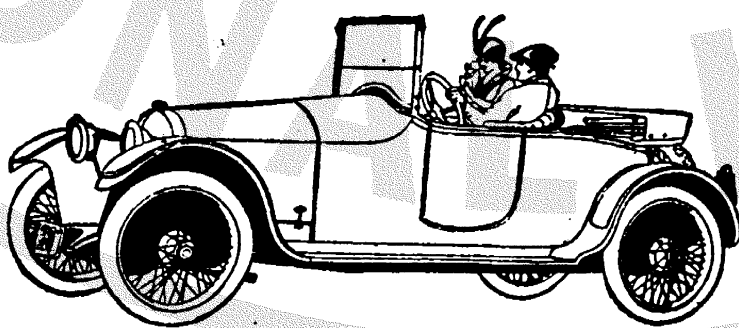
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The Siam Observer

SATURDAY, JULY 6, 1918.

CHINA AND JAPAN.

In the notes we published yesterday our Swatow correspondent remarked on the indignation that the recent Sino-Japanese Treaty has caused in the breasts of the students of that part of China. It is indeed a sign of the times that the Chinese are taking an intense interest in this Treaty; it is one of those things that still allows us to sustain our optimism as far as China is concerned for it is always a sign of growth when a people shows an interest in public affairs and an inclination to do something, be that something good or bad, rather than to give themselves up to a prolix academic discussion of the subject. In years gone by the apathy of the Chinese to Chinese rights, wrongs and interests has almost driven the sympathisers with that country to despair and there have not been wanting those who look upon the indignities the country has from time to time been called upon to suffer as but the just retribution of this apathy. Thus the stir that the students have made is a hopeful sign that at some date in the future there will arise in China a genuine democracy which will control a really representative government.

China is a land of contrasts and while she has no great national stability her racial stability sur- passes that of most nations. His- tory has shown that China de- stroyed by absorbing and assimilating her assailants. In the past nations aspired to conquer her only to dis- appear invariably into the Chinese mass whilst their own territories be- came enfeebled and dependent. China has this power in as great a degree to-day as she had in ages long since past and hence, though such Powers as Japan may succeed in making small impressions on Chinese territory, the net result the historians of a future age will have to chronicle will probably be extremely small. In seeking to make a deep im- pression on China Japan risks the loss of her own identity. There are many who think that the present trend of events is towards the making of China a vassal to Japan but those who have made a study of the history of that great country and have also made a study of the characteristics of her remarkable people know that the apparent menace to China is a greater menace to the national entity of Japan. While this thought may not bring much comfort to those Chinese who are doing their best to oppose the expansion of Japan in China it is sufficient to show that if China does not develop along national lines to preserve her national integrity and if the Japanese do not abate their ambi- tion to expand upon the mainland of Asia the fusion of Japan into China is a possibility which, however remote it may be, has at least to be considered by both peoples.

Paddy Crop Report July 5, 1918.

Nasuan 1,350 Coyans at Tcs	96 168 each
S-muang 250 "	93 115 "
Namuang "	" " "
Total 1,600 Coyans.	

LOCAL AND GENERAL.

THE s.s. *Hupok* has arrived from Swatow with 9 bags of mail.

H. S. H. Prince Udorn Direklabh is suffering from lung trouble and is confined to his residence.

THE Prospectus of a special race meeting for Siamese ponies at the R.B.S.C. on Sunday, July 21 appears in another column.

IN written reply to Mr. Acland Allen, Sir Albert Stanley says:—The number of boxes of matches released for the London area is 4,000,000 per week and that for Scotland 2,400,000 per week.

BY s/s. Suddhadib, Rev. Father Chornin and Rev. Brother Michael are leaving to-day for Sirgora. From that place they intend to go by rail to Hua Hin where they will meet the Assump- tion College.

THE Post and Telegraph Department reports that Saigon line is imperfectly working between Phnompenh and Bang- kok. Tral line is not properly work- ing between Rayong and Bangkok. Other lines are all available.

A HAGUE message, dated April 12, says: Three hundred and seventy thousand Germans were killed in the first two of their offensive on the western front, according to a report printed by the *Brigade Dagblad* to-day. It said that twenty baskets, measuring 24 by 16 inches in size, full of German sol- diers' identification discs, have arrived at Pottswitz, in Belgium, representing 370,000 dead. An identification disc- worn by a German soldier is about the size of an American quarter of a dol- lar.

WHO will be the first to beat down our national prejudice against eating unfamiliar fare and popularise a "chop" from the donkey? The Governor of Moravia gives us a testimonial to its excellence. It "tastes like the best kind of game," he says. What better food could one desire? And the Gov- ernor is not alone in his praise of donkey flesh. We recall Labouchere's avowed preference for donkey over beef and mutton, when a besieged resi- dent of Paris. "Let anyone who doubts the excellence of donkey," he wrote, "slay one of these weak minded ani- mals, cook him, and eat him." (D.C.)

INFORMATION from the invaded por- tion of Belgium reveals a new and most ingenious method invented by Belgians to proclaim their determination to remain united, despite the strenuous efforts Germany to separate in her in- terest the Flemish provinces from the Walloon (French speaking) provinces. It has suddenly become a deliberate custom for Flemish young men and lasses to marry Walloon girls and youths and vice versa. Such matches were the exception before the war; they are becoming the rule now and amount to a general demonstration against which Germany's efforts to produce a divorce between the two Belgian races is quite powerless.

War Loans Association.

We understand that Mr. W. Nunn has accepted the Presidency of the War Loans Association in the place of Mr. G. K. Wright who has retired there- from owing to his impending departure for Europe.

A Governor Sentenced.

The Provincial Appeal Court gave judgment this afternoon in the case of the Crown against Phya Pinal Sara-krasietra, formerly Governor of Kon Kaen. It will be remembered that the Criminal Court in Kon Kaen sen- tenced the accused to a term of three years' imprisonment on various charges of embezzlement, causing bodily harm and the manslaughter of a prisoner in the Kon Kaen jail. The Krom Ayakarn appealed on the ground that the sentence was inadequate. The Director-General of Public Prosecutions, H. E. Phya R-ja Sema argued the appeal in person be- fore the Court last week.

The court read a lengthy judgment this afternoon and sentenced the ac- cused to terms of imprisonment aggre- gating 12 years and 5 months.

Motor Races.

We are informed that arrangements are being made to hold a Motor Race Meeting on the 22nd instant. There will be races for different kinds of cars as well as for motor cycles and ordinary bicycles. The track will be the road round the Pre-mane ground. A programme will be issued on Tuesday next, when all particulars will be made known. All money obtained from the gate and entry fees &c. will be given to the Red Cross Fund. Particulars and entry forms can be had from H. E. Phya Gadadharabadi, at the Ministry of Local Government.

Motor Regulations.

The Minister of Local Government publishes a notice in the Siamese newspapers with regard to the registration of motor cars and motor cycles and the issue of driver's licences.

The main points from the notice are as follows:—

Motor vehicles must be registered every year; the year commencing on April 1 and ending on March 31.

Registration of Cars and Drivers may be effected from February 1 to March 27 at the Local Government Department from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. daily, except Sundays and holidays.

Owners who have not yet registered for the year 2461 may do so from July 20 to August 31.

Those owners who find it inconvenient to attend the Registration office in person may fill in particulars of their cars in a form which may be had on application, and send same to the office for registration.

Applicants for drivers' licences must supply the licensing officer with two copies of their photograph, size 9 by 12 centimetres.

Owners who drive their own cars must obtain permits from the Local Government Dept.

Number plates for four and three wheeled cars must be 30 centimetres long and 13 centimetres broad. The figures must be painted white on a black ground. Each of the figures making up the number of the car must not be less than 6.5 centimetres in breadth.

Motor cycle number plates must be 15 centimetres long and 7.5 centimetres broad. The figures must not be less than 2.5 centimetres in breadth.

Owners may either provide their own number plates and provide them for approval at the time of registering, or they may obtain them from the Registration Office.

The Scandinavian Countries.

From H. D. M. Chargé d'Affaires we have received the following communication:

According to invitation from the Danish Government a meeting took place in Copenhagen 26-28 June ult. between the Ministers for Foreign Affairs of the three Scandinavian countries.

At this meeting the deliberations, which had taken place on the previous meetings of the three Kings and their Ministers, were continued, and certain questions concerning the common interests of the three countries were discussed.

A thorough accordance was substantiated regarding the continuation of the amicable and intimate relations between three countries and the pursuing of an identical policy, namely an impartial policy of neutrality.

Among the matters discussed was the question concerning a co-operation of the neutral countries for the purpose of protection of their common interests at the end of the war and later on, which question already was touched on previous meetings.

The Governments would continue to exchange views on the basis of analogic reports given by committees appointed by the three countries. Besides this, various informations were given regarding the situation of the three countries, such as this had formed itself during the latest time, from the point of view of the mercantile policy.

With much satisfaction was acknowledged the good results of the economical co-operation of the three countries during the war, wherefore it was agreed on the continuation and development of this work, and on trying to establish such co-operation also after the war. Further was discussed the question of a social-political co-operation between the three Scandinavian countries, and occasioned by an address presented by the interparliamentary Scandinavian committee—it was decided to appoint Government representatives to investigate the possibility of such a co-operation.

The following two questions were then discussed. Firstly: measures regarding restrictions in the admittance to the three countries of foreigners, in consideration of the difficulties relative to the maintenance of order, the question of food and the question of accommodation. Secondly was agreed to try the issuing of analogic regulations regarding the establishment of the circumstances under which foreigners should be submitted to the taxation acts.

Finally was substantiated, as on the previous meetings, a thorough accordance regarding the advantage by continuing the resultful co-operation of the three Governments for their common interests.

BLAZON TYPE NOT NECESSARY.

Chamberlain's Colic and Diarrhoea Remedy needs no glaring headline to attract the public eye. The simple statement that all chemists sell it is sufficient, as every family knows its value. It has been used for forty years and is just what its name implies. For sale by the British Dispensary.

Great War.

Munition Factory Explosion.

(REUTER'S TELEGRAM.)

London, July 4.

The Press Bureau reports a serious explosion, on the night of July 1, in a national shell-filling factory in the Midlands. It is feared that between sixty and seventy persons perished. The number injured is not yet known. A considerable part of the productive capacity of the factory was saved. Work will be resumed in a few days. The women workers behaved splendidly and are urged to be allowed to return to work. There will be no appreciable diminution in the munition output.

The French Front.

(REUTER'S TELEGRAM.)

London, July 4.

French Communiqué:—West of Chateau Thierry a local operation was executed in conjunction with American troops. This enabled us to improve our positions on the front Vaux—Hill 204. The Americans captured the village of Vaux and the heights westward thereof. We also took prisoner over three hundred, including five officers, in this action.

(Havas Telegram.)

Paris, July 2.

To the west of Chateau Thierry in conjunction with the Americans we took the village of Vaux and the neighbouring heights.

The Llandoverly Castle.

(REUTER'S TELEGRAM.)

London, July 4.

The Admiralty reports:—The area between the spot where the Llandoverly Castle sank and the south-western coast of Ireland has been thoroughly searched by two groups of warships, in addition to the Lysander. Only a little wreckage and one empty boat was found. It is therefore assumed that there are no more survivors.

(Havas Telegram.)

Paris, July 2.

The English hospital ship Llandoverly Castle, carrying the regulation lights was sunk by an enemy submarine to the south-west of the Fastnet. Two hundred and thirty-four are missing.

The Italian Front.

(Havas Telegram.)

Paris, July 2.

On the Asiago Plateau the 13th Italian army corps resumed the contest during the days from the 20th to the 30th of June.

Formidable positions on Col del Rosso and Col de Chele were carried by assault. The enemy losses were considerable.

We captured 1935 men and 38 officers.

British Successes.

(Havas Telegram.)

Paris, July 2.

The British repulsed *coup de main* attempted for the purpose of retaking the terrain previously conquered by us to the north-west of Albert and in the Daveluy Wood.

We brought down fifteen airships.

Advance of the Czechoslovaks.

(Havas Telegram.)

Paris, July 2.

Moscow:—The Czechoslovaks continue to advance in Siberia and have occupied Causchym in the direction of Tchelabinsk.

Six great German-owned woollen mills in New Jersey valued at more than \$70,000,000 (£14,000,000) have been seized by the United States Government.

Havas Wires from Singapore.

The Fighting on the First.

Paris, July 2.

A smart local success was obtained by the French yesterday morning in an attack launched, after a very short artillery preparation, with the strength of two divisions belonging to famous corps. The attack was made in a four and a half mile sector west of Soissons, from South east of Ambly to the Chésoise woods east of Mont Gobert. The chief result will be considerably to hinder any eventual operations which might be intended by the Crown Prince's left wing towards Villers-Cotterets. The French line was advanced at some points one mile and a quarter deep, and over a thousand prisoners were captured.

French and America.

The French Chamber of Deputies yesterday decided to celebrate the national festival of the United States on July Fourth, M. Franklin Bouillon, supporting this resolution, said: "The union of these two great nations must survive the war."

General Pershing sent a telegram saying: "This proof of French friendship stimulates our desire to fight side by side with France until the complete restoration of liberty in the world."

The Exchange Test.

Berne: The value of the Mark and the Krone has seriously fluctuated in the last few days in Swiss markets. At the end of March 1918, a hundred Marks were quoted at 85 Francs; at the end of May, at 77 Francs; and at the end of June at 66 Francs. At the end of March 1918, a hundred Kronen were quoted at 55 Francs; at the end of May at 48 Francs; and at the end of June, at 38 Francs.

Church Services.

Church of the Assumption.

July the 7th, 7th. Sunday after Pentecost.
5.45 a.m. 1st Mass for the Native Community.
8.00 a.m. 2nd and last Mass for the Foreign Community.
4 p.m. Rosary, Instruction, Benediction of the most Holy Sacrament.

WEEK DAYS.

5.30 a.m. 1st Mass.
6.00 a.m. 2nd and last Mass.
Devotion of the Month. The Most Precious Blood of Our Lord.
July 8. Monday. St. Elizabeth of Portugal widow.
July 9. Tuesday. St. Nicholas and Comps. Martyrs.
July 10. Wednesday. The VII Brothers and Comps. Martyrs.
July 11. Thursday. St. Pius I. Pont. and Martyr.
July 12. Friday. St. John Gualbert, Abbot.
July 13. Saturday. St. Anacleto, Pont. and Martyr.

Christ Church.

Services for July 7th, 6th Sunday after Trinity.

8 a.m. Holy Communion.
6 p.m. Evensong with Sermon.
Hymn, Processional, 274 Through the night of doubt and sorrow.
299 Come let us join our cheerful songs.
284 Far from my heavenly home.
184 Rock of ages, cleft for me.
Psalm 37.
Magnificat, Barnley.
Nunc Dimittis, Tonus Peregrinus.
Vesper Hymn, With Thy Benediction.

S. Mary's Mission.

Sunday, July 7. Sixth Sunday after Trinity.

7.30 a.m. Holy Communion.
9 a.m. Matins and Sermon.
Psalms, 31 and 32.
Hymns:—

37: This is the day of light.
192: O Love, Who formedst me to wear.
305: At the Name of Jesus.
6 p.m. Evensong and Sermon.
Psalms, 33, 36.
199: Thou art the Way: by Thee alone.
284: O happy band of pilgrims.
19: The radiant morn hath passed away.

There will not be an Intercession Service on Wednesday evening, July 10.

THE special correspondent of the United Press Association (U.S.A.) at the French front telegraphs to America that 16 American girls from Smith College, Northampton, Massachusetts, were the heroines in some recent fighting, and succoured refugees under shell fire.

The Public Health.

Returns for the month of June 1918 issued by the Ministry of the Interior:—

Cases from previous month.	Plague.		Cured.	Deaths.
	No. of cases.	No. of deaths.		
Chantaboon	4	4	4	4
Petru	7	5	5	5
Prachinburi	2	2	2	2
Nakon Pathom	7	7	7	7
Ayudhya	6	5	5	5
	26	23	23	23

Cholera.		Cured.	Deaths.
No. of cases.	No. of deaths.		
Trang	24	5	17
Krabindra	14	1	4
Ubon	1	1	1
	38	6	21

A telegram has been received stating that the outbreak at Trang is at an end.

In Ohangvud Nakon Panom, Monthon Udorn, three cases of small-pox occurred, and all three remained under treatment at the end of the month.

Match Trade in Malaya.

At the present time, when matches are a scarce commodity, it may seem superfluous to call attention to the market that awaits exploitation in the Far East; but after the war new markets will be sought for British-made goods, and British matches might share in a trade that is steadily on the increase. At one time Sweden was the principal supplier of matches to the Far East. In recent years, however, Japan has practically captured the trade, as is shown by the following statistics from the Straits Settlements. What is true of British Malaya probably applies to every country east of Suez.

The value of the imports and exports of matches into the Straits Settlements over a period of four years was as follows:—

	Imports.	Exports.
	£	£
1913	112,918	65,615
1914	102,244	61,908
1915	190,445	120,177
1916	200,876	129,188

The imports came chiefly from the following places:—

	1913.	1914.	1915.	1916.
	£	£	£	£
Japan	99,254	86,962	134,359	162,966
Sweden	19,142	8,495	20,678	15,741
Hongkong	1,663	5,134	19,053	19,108
Denmark	—	—	7,207	—
United Kingdom	—	—	—	108

The exports go mainly to the Malay States, British North Borneo, Netherlands India and Siam, with the Federated Malay States the largest consumer. It is probable that the matches imported from Hongkong were largely of Japanese manufacture, being merely transhipped at the northern port.

Shipping Notes.

The Dan, s.s. Martinique 283 tons Capt. A. V. Hobbs, arrived from Calcutta yesterday with a general cargo. The consignees are Messrs The East Asiatic Co., Ltd.

The Brit. s.s. Hupeh 1205 tons. Capt. R. F. Mitchell, arrived from Swatow to-day with a general cargo and 8 bags of mail, 1 cabin and 553 deck passengers. The consignees are Messrs. The Borneo Co., Ltd.

Ships in Harbour.

Name.	Nationality.	Berth.
Martinique	Dan.	8
Hupei	Brit.	28
Den Samud	Siam.	30
Pong Pin	Chin.	4
Pin Samud	Siam.	33

Tennyson On Flying.

From "Lockley Hall" written in 1842.

For I dip into the future, far as human eye could see,
Saw the Vision of the world, and all the wonder that would be;
Saw the heavens fill with commerce, argosies of magic sails,
Pilots of the purple twilight, dropping down with costly bales;
Heard the heavens fill with shouting, and there rain'd a ghastly dew
From the nations' airy navies grappling in the central blue;
Far along the world-wide whisper of the south wind rushing warm,
With the standards of the peoples plunging thro' the thunderstorm;
Till the war drum throbb'd no longer, and the battle-flags were furled,
In the Parliament of man, the Federation of the world.

Royal Bangkok Sports Club.

PROSPECTUS

SPECIAL MEETING FOR SIAMESE PONIES

Sunday, July 21st. 1918.

- 3 F. Open Catch weights
- 5 F. Open Handicap
- 4 F. Open Catch weights
- 3 F. Open Catch weights
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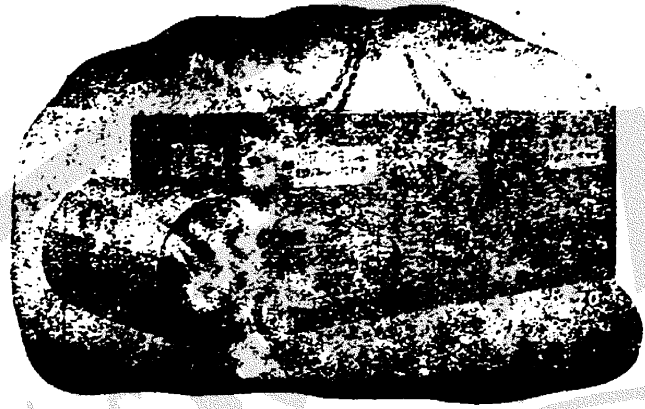
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The Sea War.

Where U-Boats Anchor.

London, June 22.—Reliable information from neutral sources shows that more and more submarines are failing to return to Germany, and many of those which do get back are mostly badly damaged, necessitating extensive repairs, while the condition of the crews, mental and physical, is causing considerable anxiety.

This is partially confirmed by a lecture, reported in the Munchener Neueste-nachrichten, by the well-known German U-boat commander Biese, who spoke of the awful effects of depth charge explosions on inexperienced crews. This is the first admission that the Germans are employing inexperienced crews on submarines.

Another submarine commander is quoted as having said that to send inexperienced men with U-boats in face of present day conditions is like taking a forced plant out of a hothouse and putting it in a north east wind.

The Germans have recently succeeded in salvaging a U-boat in Heligoland Bight which the British had sunk. All the plates were found to have been forced from their rivets and in some instances the crew were found standing bolt upright, all dead. They had been suffocated by air pressure.

Submarines in the Depths.

Interesting narratives received from a reliable source completely refute the German assertions regarding the alleged ineffectiveness of the depth charges and other British methods of coping with submarines. For example, on a bright moonlight night, a British patrol boat noticed a submarine half a mile distant, apparently recharging. The Captain immediately went fullspeed in the direction of the U-boat with the object of ramming her before she was able to submerge. The latter succeeded in submerging but the patrol boat came up and dropped six depth charges and then fired a shell at the centre of the visible disturbance. Large quantities of oil came to the surface and cries for help were heard. One survivor only was found.

Besides the case of a German submarine engine torpedoes by a British submarine near Cape St. Vincent on May 11, other instances occurred. For example a British submarine espied, charged and successfully rammed an enemy submarine. The Britishers stern cut through the enemy plates and remained imbedded. Both craft endeavoured to extricate themselves. The enemy, through using his ballast tanks, almost came to the surface bringing the Britisher along. Then the U-boat drew away in great difficulty, apparently, frantically endeavouring to keep afloat, but subsequently sank. Two other cases of successful torpedoing of German submarines are mentioned, in one of which the opposing craft engaged in deadly attempts for nearly half an hour to obtain a favourable position. Superior British navigation won.

All Against the Hun.

London, June 23.—Mr. Havelock Wilson in a speech at London stated that the Seamen's Union had received a cablegram from Rotterdam, that the Dutch sailors had refused to sail with U-boats. Wilson emphasised that the refusal was another striking example of the policy of the allied and neutral seamen to punish the Hun for his diabolical deeds at sea.

After the War.

London, June 20.—The report of the committee on shipping after the war, tabled on the 19th, referring to the suggestion that the Indian coasting trade should be reserved to British ships, especially owing to the subsidised competition of Japanese lines, says that it doubts whether the adoption of this measure would materially aid British shipowners to meet Japanese competition elsewhere. It over the Imperial Government decided upon the reservation of coasting and inter-Imperial trades on other than trade grounds, it would be essential to provide certain exceptions, including countries opening their coasting trade to British shipping. Also, important entrepôts and centres such as Hongkong, Singapore and Penang should be excluded from coasting trade limits.

The committee declares that any measure preventing the free employment of foreign seamen on British ships is undesirable and is important that restrictions should not be placed in the United Kingdom or Dominions on the employment of Asiatic or coloured seamen, whether British subjects or not.

General.

London, June 23.—Lord Salisbury in a letter to the press, says that until there is some assurance of a change in Irish sentiment, the federal system cannot be applied to Ireland. Therefore there seems to be a complete bar to Imperial federation, which is impossible without Ireland.

New York, June 21.—A telegram from Mexico city states that the Mexican Government has decided to prohibit absolutely the export of gold and silver owing to similar restrictions as regards these metals in other countries.

London, June 21.—Silver is steady.

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American Eulogy of Mr. Hughes.

New York, May 10.—In a leading article the New York "Tribune" states:—"There are few more interesting men in the world than Mr. W. M. Hughes, Prime Minister of Australia. He has become a commanding figure in British Imperial politics, and has earned a place in Allied affairs as one of the men who helped to keep the fight going and make victory possible."

America's Great Effort.

New York, May 18.—President Wilson is at present visiting New York. The Washington correspondent of the United Press Association states that the President in a speech at a meeting of the Red Cross Society will say that the United States must make further sacrifices in order to frustrate Germany's aggressive plans. The United States is preparing for a mighty stroke before the close of 1919. The War department has asked the Shipping Board to increase its plans for 1919 by 60 per cent., and has advised that contracts should be let in anticipation of the enormous force of Americans which it is expected will be sent to the West front. President Wilson will emphasize that a just peace is possible only by crushing German militarism.

Italian on Australians.

The correspondent of the "Giornale d'Italia" at the French front pays a high tribute to the gallantry of the Australians. "They are magnificent men and born warriors," the correspondent states. "To watch them fighting is to realise the error into which the Germans have fallen in their hope of finishing the war in three weeks by crushing England."

"From the moment General von der Marwitz's troops came face to face with the Australians before Amiens they have not advanced a single inch, and the enemy goes in terror of these men, who use the bayonet freely, taking few prisoners. They are soldiers who do not await orders before leaping into the enemy's trenches. Their dream is ever to solve a difficult situation in the briefest possible time. After four years of war they are still the same. These men of another continent are fighting unwearily for an ideal as volunteers."

Rumanians Fight with French.

Official advice to Washington from Paris says that the Rumanians in France are organising to fight with the French on the West front.

German Naval Inactivity.

A Paris report states that Admiral Tirpitz has formed a secret organisation which is working against the heads of the German navy, especially Admiral von Capelle, Minister of the Navy. Members of the organisation regard the inaction of the German navy as inglorious, and demand expeditions to the British and French coasts.

Pro Ally Feeling in Bohemia.

London, May 21.—Austrian newspapers report the occurrence of pro-Entente demonstrations at Prague, the capital of Bohemia. Entente flags were hoisted, and pro-Entente resolutions passed. There were some collisions with the police. Hundreds of members of the Jugo-Slav organisation have since been expelled from the city.

Kaiser and Emperor Meet.

London, May 18.—Official advice received in Washington from Zurich indicates that the meeting between the Kaiser and the Emperor Charles of Austria proved unsatisfactory. The conference was much shorter than was planned, and the return of the Emperor Charles to Austria caused extremely adverse comments in Germany.

Hamburg's "War Aims."

The Hamburg Senate has forwarded to the Bundsrath a list of its special war aims. These include adequate indemnities, preferably in the form of raw material; an adequate colonial empire; the payment of all foreign debts due to Germans; redress of the grievances of Germans abroad; the prohibition of boycotts and other hostile measures aimed against German goods and shipping, and the re-establishment of the German mercantile marine in all oceans, with rights equal to those of other nations.

Bolshevik Ambassador's Red Flag.

The German newspapers demand the expulsion of M. Joffe, the Bolshevik ambassador in Berlin, for refusing to lower the red flag at the embassy or to receive the usual diplomatic callers. M. Joffe will only receive members of the Minority Socialist party.

Unified Military Control.

An official message originating from Budapest states that a German Austro-Hungarian military convention provides for the unified command of the two armies in regard to troops, reserves, armaments.

Bread Ration Grows Smaller.

A Berlin official message states that the daily bread ration is to be reduced about the middle of June from 200 to 160 grammes, owing to the disappointing arrivals of grain from the Ukraine.

[The minuteness of the bread ration in Germany may be realised from the fact that 1,000 grammes equal approximately 2 1/5 lb.]

Kaiser's Desire for Peace.

Replying to a deputation of strikers, Dr. von Seidler said that the prospect of a general peace was not hopeless. The Kaiser was doing his best to bring about negotiations.

Rumania's Queen Thanks America.

London, May 10.—The Associated Press correspondent, back from Jassy, says:—

The intialling of the Rumanian peace treaty will be a bitter experience to the Queen of Rumania, who persisted for months past in hoping against hope that it would be possible to avert the conclusion of what she regarded as a dishonourable peace. She has never wavered or faltered in her devotion to the cause of the Allies and her hostility toward the Central Powers.

The Queen received the Associated Press correspondent on the eve of his departure. As she had done many times before, she expressed her warm sympathy and admiration for the American people and her thankfulness for what they had done for Rumania, particularly the work of the Red Cross, and her hope that a fuller and better friendship would come with the end of the war.

As she mentioned the war she could not refrain from expressing her firm belief that the only possible end can be victory for the Entente and the reconstruction of Rumania.

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the correspondent take with him a formal statement in her own handwriting of her sentiments towards the American people, and she had arranged to have this delivered to the correspondent before he left. But at the last moment it was explained that the Queen had been so deeply affected by her farewells to all the Allied military and Red Cross missions that she had been unable to write the message.

German Weak in the Air.

London, May 20.—The war correspondent of the United Press Association states that captured German pilots have now been badly constructed, the wires and steel tubing frequently snapping while the machine is in mid-air. The correspondent personally examined the late Baron von Richthofen's machine, which was brought down in the Australian lines. He had expected to find it extremely well made, but he detected many crudities. The fuselage was made of steel tubing, like that used for the frames of bicycles, and the joints seemed to have been carefully welded.

German planes not infrequently fall to pieces during the "stunts" necessitated during aerial combats. A prisoner stated that great difficulty is experienced in Germany in finding airmen. Only thirty per cent. of the pupils who were at the aviation station while he (the prisoner) learned to fly reached the front. The rest became casualties while in training.

Bolshevik's Uttermost Motive.

London, May 19.—M. Vladimir Bouraef, a famous Russian revolutionary, who was recently released from the fortress at Petrograd, has arrived at Stockholm. In a message to the "Daily Chronicle," he sums up the causes of the Russian debacle, attributing it to Republican weakness and Bolshevik vindictiveness. He states that the Bolsheviks had a purpose, while M. Kerensky lacked a purpose. M. Bouraef firmly believes that the Bolsheviks always intended to sell Russia, in order to have leisure to organize Anarchist propaganda. He adds: "The Germans, even in Bolshevik Russia, are calmly buying banks, estates, ships and railways. The Bolsheviks appointed M. Ganetsky to nationalise the Petrograd banks. M. Ganetsky is a notorious German. M. Bouraef says he and other revolutionaries now perceive that the revolution has been a calamity."

Ukraine Harvest A Failure.

The Moscow correspondent of the Rome "Popolo Romano" states:—"Of 1,000,000 square kilometres (approximately 388,888 square miles) of grain lands in the Ukraine only 50,000 have been cultivated this year, the peasants refusing to cultivate for the Germans."

The Berlin "Neueste Nachrichten" states: "Enormous areas in the Ukraine, including the expropriated estates of big land owners, have not been tilled, and the coming harvest will be insufficient for the Ukrainian population. Already the people of some Ukrainian towns are suffering from hunger."

German's Poison Gas.

The United Press Association correspondent on the American front states that the Germans are performing their various poison gases with smells resembling apples, bananas, pineapples and oranges. The purpose is to conceal the deadliness of various new gases. Formerly the distinctive odours of the gases were readily distinguishable by "gas experts," who have now warned the Americans to beware of the "fruit smells."

Czechs Threaten Revolution.

A deputation of Czechs, including members of Parliament, has warned Dr. von Seidler, Premier of Austria, that if the Austrian Government created a constitution for Bohemia on the German model the Czechs would raise a sanguinary revolution.

The World's Debt to Italy.

If the question be asked which is embodied in the title of this article, the answer which arises most readily to the lips is "Music."

And this is true. Italy, the home of Grand Opera, has given to the world more singers and musicians than any other land. Yet this, after all, is a very partial and insufficient answer, for modern Italy has become one of the greatest of engineering countries and is producing a body of inventors who are conferring upon us practical benefits of a very wonderful character.

Where should we be in the midst of this world war without wireless? The story of Marconi's triumph is familiar to every school child. It is entirely due to the genius of this great Italian that the units of the British and Allied navies are in such perfect touch, one with another, that U-boats are kept in some sort of control, and that thousands upon thousands of lives have been saved from vessels torpedoed by the ruthless foe.

Speaking of electric communication, it was two Italians, Turchi and Brume, who invented the method for using the same wire for telephone and telegraph simultaneously. In June, 1903 the first service of this kind was opened between Bologna and Ferrara and proved a complete success.

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ed at a speed of two hundred and fifty miles an hour from one point to another.

One of our principal weapons against the submarine is what may be called a mechanical ear, by means of which the sound of a U-boat's engine can be heard, miles away. The originator of this invention was d'Asar, an Italian, who patented his device some eighteen years ago.

Cavaliere Pino of Genoa is the inventor of the hydroscope which enables the sea bed to be examined as easily as the landscape through a telescope; and of the "elevator" which enables objects to be picked up from the bottom of the sea. The value of these devices for recovering treasure from wrecks has already been proved, and the scope for its use enlarges day by day.

How many people are aware that what may be called the first of modern rifles used by the British armies was the invention of an Italian? The "Martini-Henry" was wrongly named, for its inventor was an Italian named Martino who was born at Pisa and died in 1903 at Sheffield.

Martino was undoubtedly one of the greatest inventors of the nineteenth century. It was he who developed platinoid with a greater electrical resistance than any other metal. He was one of the greatest authorities on nickel; he invented two valuable methods for the reduction of gold, and was the discoverer of the process which led to the conversion of basins into manure. This invention was neglected in England, and in consequence German manufacturers got hold of it and made huge sums.

Martino experimented in every branch of invention and claimed to be the originator of the fluted metal rib for umbrellas covers. He was bubbling with new ideas, yet died comparatively poor and unknown.

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		I.	III.	V.			VI.	VI.	
		A.M.	P.M.	P.M.			A.M.	P.M.	
Km.	Bangkok Dep.	8.30	12.30	4.30	Km.	Meklong Dep.	8.35	12.35	
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Km.	B. Hlane					Mahachai			
	Terminus Dep.	10.20	2.20	3.40	Km.	Terminus Dep.	6.45	10.45	2.45
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