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Captain Paul König, commander of the German submarine liner Deutschland, which left Baltimore, U.S., on its return voyage across the Atlantic, was married some fifteen years ago in Winchester to an Englishwoman. His wife is now living in a London suburb.

Before the war her husband was an officer of the North German Lloyd and, as such, a reserve officer of the German Navy. Early in 1914 he commanded the liner Schleswig, and in June finished a Mediterranean trip at Bremerhaven. Mrs. König was then living at Winchester, her home since her marriage. During the war she was a German specialist about the health of one of her children, she joined her husband in Germany. In July Captain König was called to the Navy and saw his wife only at rare intervals during mobilisation. Then came the news that we had declared war on Germany.

Although practically the only Englishwoman in an important German naval port, Mrs. König did not waver in her patriotism. "My husband, like the man he is," she said, "recognised that, although I might technically be a German by marriage, I am English through and through, and when I said to him, 'You do not expect me to take side against my own country?' he replied, 'No, everyone must stand by his own country in these times. You would not be worth your salt if you didn't, and I should not be worth my salt if I did not stand by mine.' On that we parted, and I have not seen him since."

After a great deal of difficulty Mrs. König was allowed to return to England. "I have not heard directly from my husband from that day to this," she continued, "although once or twice I have heard indirectly that he was well. On the morning it was announced that the U-liner had reached America I was travelling by train and had just read the news on the placards. A friend came up to me and said, 'Don't you know that Paul is the captain?' 'Paul, my husband?' I echoed. I ran to the bookstall and bought all the papers I could. Sure enough there was his name, and the photograph published later in 'The Daily Mail' set all doubt at rest.

"I am sure he had never been in a submarine before. I expect he was selected for the command because of his extensive acquaintance with American

ports and Americans."

I was on a trip across the Atlantic sixteen or seventeen years ago that he first met his wife.—D.M.

**Holland and Germany.**

Discussing an article in the "Kölnische Volkszeitung" criticising the patience of the neutrals in the face of the attempts made by the Allies to turn them into "tools for their blockade policy," the "Nieuwe Courant" says:—

This criticism in itself would not be of great significance, if a threat had not been added to it. The defence of the Central Powers, against the starvation policy of the Allies would not be able to respect the neutrals, it is said. Seriousness of this statement is obvious even to those who believe that all is well with this country. It is quite another question, however, whether Germany's grievances are well-founded. It is plain that there is no truth in any suggestion that we submit patiently to the violations of our economic independence. The Dutch army is not kept mobilised and at full strength for nothing, despite the serious difficulties in which that mobilisation involves us. There would be room for criticism on the part of Germany, if the Dutch Government employed two standards to measure the two parties by. But that is not done, as has been proved by the latest Orange Book. But although the German Government could find no pretext in the attitude of the Dutch Government for measures against the Netherlands, that is no reason why we should take it for granted that this country will not fall a victim to Germany's grievances. So many inexcusable things have happened in this war. And this unjustifiable threat from the German side again proves the danger of the measures taken by the Allies against the neutrals. And yet these are glossed over by some of our countrymen, just as eventual German "reprisals" would find some "Dutch" defender or other. A pretext for illegitimate action against this country might very well be found in such anti Dutch talk.

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Extracts from the article are sent by the Rotterdam correspondent of the *Daily Telegraph*.

Roughly stated, Herr Harden's conclusion is that Germany is fighting for her existence, that the end is not within a period of untold hardship and struggle. This, he it remembered, is from the pen of the man who, in the days before the reality dawned, boldly declared this was Germany's war; that Germany was destined to dominate the universe.

Holding out is now his note. This is struck in the text of the article, consisting of four lines of poetry, of which the following is a rough, unmetrical translation:—

"Long is one night, longer still are two; how shall I last through three?  
"Even a month appears to me less long than half a night of holding out."

**Great Britain not Suffering.**  
Herr Harden, speaking of England, says:—

"But Great Britain is not suffering yet. Impartial people report to us London's face has shown no fear. Her ships leave regularly to and from America. English traders are still serving part of our clients and are looking forward to the idea that to-morrow they will have them all. England fixes the price of goods and is gathering in large sums. England does not need to give up anything. It can arm itself for the exploitation of Russia, and it barricades all the roads by which we fetch raw materials for our industries."

Writing about the absence of any indication of peace, Harden says: "Within our field of vision there is nowhere a sign giving us hope that from the murmuring brook will spring the lovely boy who will smilingly disarm the nations before the gate of the year has draped itself in white and glittering frost." And he declares that nowhere is there any hope of a decision.

"Even peace which would be the fruit of a modest understanding does not ripen in an hour. Russia's armies stand again in Galicia and in Bukovina, close to the Carpathians. Even if they are beaten into a

second retreat, who will guarantee that the rivers once more freed from ice will not flow in a third wave still stronger than the two which have been held back with so much difficulty, and again flood over the country, manuring it with noble blood? Will the admirable upward swing of the French power of resistance be paralyzed shortly? Wait, and not indulge in vain prophecies. That torn country still carries the colours of an unending and angry decision.

"Great Britain, after its serious loss of blood, is not so gay as in the second summer of the war, but it has great embattled armies in the field. Both Western Powers have said that their present offensive is not their highest effort, and that, taking careful advantage of their experiences of what has gone before, a still more furious offensive will follow. Either empty boasting or consciousness of power."

**Tough Skin of Englishmen.**  
"No; the earth is not to be divided yet. We are not yet at the goal. Hindrances of all kinds may face our armies. That is not to be prevented by anybody. All we can do is to see our armies lack nothing they desire. This is not all. We shall see more naked misery and hard need in the third year than in many ordinary years notwithstanding all the benevolence and all the individual help."

"Resign yourselves early to the difficult times. Do not expect before every meal news of a new victory, and if you do not get it do not let your heads hang. Do not imagine to yourselves that you are already at the beginning or nearly at the beginning of the end, and joyfully commence dividing up the earth. Paris, Vilna, Warsaw—wonderful! but no decision. This can only be secured by challenging the tough skin of cold-blooded Englishmen."

Here, says the *Daily Telegraph* correspondent, a little explanation is necessary. Warsaw is in German possession, and Paris not. The coupling of the two in this way is Harden's subtle method of telling his fellow countrymen, even if Paris were taken, the end would be no nearer; in other words England, the defeat of whom is necessary to effect a decision, would still be there unassailed, unassailable.

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## Great War.

### Russian Success.

(REUTERS' TELEGRAM.)

London, Sept. 20.

Russian communiqué.—A stubborn  
battle continues in the region of the  
river Narajevka. All enemy attacks  
were repulsed with heavy losses. We  
carried several heights in the region of  
Shibeni Pheva mountain in the Car-  
pathians, where snow is falling.

### LOCAL AND GENERAL.

LUANG Vichit, Miss Cooper and Miss  
Ekin arrived by the "Prachaspock"  
yesterday. Mr. C. Broder and Nai  
Sym arrived by the s.s. "Kuala."

THE s.s. Kuala will leave from the  
Borneo Company's wharf at 12 a.m.  
sharp, on Friday the 22nd inst., and  
should arrive in Singapore at noon on  
Monday.

WE are informed by Mr. G. E. Allen,  
agent of the Chartered Bank of India,  
Australia and China that he has receiv-  
ed advices from the London Head  
Office, intimating that the Directors  
have authorized a dividend for the past  
half year at the rate of 14% per an-  
num. (Interim for the year 1916)

### British Red Cross.

We understand that a cinematograph  
performance, with specially selected  
films, will be given at the "Phatthana-  
korn" on the evening of the 18th Octo-  
ber. The theatre has been kindly lent  
by the proprietors for the occasion, and  
the proceeds will be given to swell the  
funds of the British Red Cross Soci-  
ety's Day, which is the 19th October.  
In view of the early notice it may be  
assumed that British subjects will  
keep that evening free and combine to  
make it a big success.

Booking of seats will commence on  
the 2nd October at the British Dispen-  
sary.

### At Salonika.

London, Sept. 14.—A British official  
message from Salonika says: Our  
patrols were active on the east bank of  
the Struma.

Salonika: It transpires that the  
Bulgarians sent an ultimatum to Colo-  
nel Huzzonides, commanding at Ka-  
valla, demanding its evacuation within  
twenty-four hours, otherwise the Greeks  
would be made prisoner. A panic  
followed and a wild rush was made for  
boats in order to escape to Thessalonika.  
The Bashli Bazonks released the criminals  
and the result was pillage and massacre.  
British and Russian warships are shell-  
ing the forts at Kavalla which are  
occupied by the Bulgarians.

London, Sept. 11.—Official, Salonika:  
The British moved forward in the  
morning, after artillery preparation,  
through Muenkovo and captured, in  
the face of stubborn opposition, a  
salient in the enemy's lines north of  
the village. Considerable ground was  
gained. Although the enemy counter-  
attacked our gains were fully main-  
tained. Some German prisoners were  
captured.

### East Africa.

London, September 11.—A Belgian  
communiqué shows that the German  
forces in East Africa are now divided  
into two isolated groups, one of which  
General Smuts is driving towards Ma-  
henge while the second is defending  
Tabora whither the Belgian General,  
Molitors, with a brigade is moving  
from the north and General Olsen  
from the west, along the central rail-  
way.

### Mesopotamia.

London, September 14.—Mesopota-  
mia communiqué: A force from  
Nasiriyeh killed two hundred Turkish  
irregulars who attacked a recon-  
noitering party north-east of Nasiriyeh  
on September 9. The Turks were  
driven northwards and large quanti-  
ties of ammunition were captured and  
destroyed. Our airmen raided an  
enemy aerodrome on the Tigris on  
September 11 and destroyed a small  
camp.

### Railwaymen's Demand.

London, Sept. 14.—A conference of  
railway managers and the Railway-  
men's Union discussed the demand for  
half a sovereign weekly advance on  
wages. According to the Press Bureau,  
the companies offered three shillings,  
in addition to the five shillings bonus  
given last October, and proposed arbi-  
tration with regard to a further grant.  
This offer was not accepted by the  
men's representatives.

London, Sept. 14.—Melbourne: The  
Referendum Bill has passed the first  
reading.

### A Reply to "Obscure."

The writer in a contemporary sign-  
ing himself "Obscure" is pretty well  
known to racing people as one who  
knows a good deal about racing. I  
therefore desire to say a few words as  
to his statement that Bangkok is too  
small to support two racing Clubs. If  
I understood right the Siam Turf Club  
has been formed to encourage racing  
in the whole. It was pointed out  
with truth that the Sport of Kings is  
decadent in this country and some  
stimulus is necessary to restore it to  
its proper place. Several years ago  
"Obscure" himself was present at the  
yearly meetings at Ayuthia, which  
were organized by Prince Muraphongs-  
an I his officials. He will remember  
how, from small beginnings, the meet-  
ings improved till lotteries and a totali-  
zator came into play. He will re-  
member how a few sporting men from  
Bangkok always attended and enjoyed  
these rural meetings. The organizer was  
removed to another part of the King-  
dom and there was nobody who had  
racing at heart to continue the good  
work begun. "Obscure" might know  
of a few well-known ponies that were  
purchased by Bangkok owners on their  
performances as seen at Ayuthia.  
Did these races not conduce to the  
welfare, even over so little, of breeders  
up-country? The Siam Turf Club  
hopes to arrange for races in Bangkok  
where the officials of various Monarchs  
interested in the sport may attend and  
bring down with them favourite racing  
ponies. The principal feature of the  
Siam Turf Club should, I think, be  
racing for Siamese bred ponies, and  
incidentally for Australian griffins  
which they should import more largely  
than hitherto with a view to breeding.  
The writer has had a communication  
very recently from a high official ap-  
pointed to the country bred ponies  
from Australian sires are doing very  
well and he desired to have the  
measurements of the R.B.S.C. course  
as it was hoped to establish racing in  
that part of the country. What more  
is wanted to prove that a purely racing  
Club will not be any too many for  
Bangkok? It should certainly not in-  
terfere financially or otherwise with the  
present activities of the R.B.S.C.

AN OLD STAGER.

### Eastern Fronts.

#### Russian Communiqué.

London, Sept. 13.—The Russian com-  
muniqué says: In the region of Riga  
and the Dvina river the enemy's aerial  
activity has considerably increased.

In the region south of Ezupol we  
frustrated enemy attempts to cross the  
Bystreza river.

In the region of the wooded Carpa-  
thians we repulsed attempts to recap-  
ture the heights mentioned yesterday.

#### Th. Italians.

London, Sept. 13.—The Italian com-  
muniqué says: Alpini captured a posi-  
tion commanding Travenanzese pass,  
interrupting the enemy communications  
between Travenanzese valley and the  
Lagazuos district.

#### On the Danube.

London, Sept. 13.—The Rumanians  
have occupied the island of Adakale  
opposite Orsova completely controlling  
the Danube traffic.

Zurich, Sept. 14.—Telegrams from  
the Austrian headquarters to Viennese  
papers admit that the Rumanians are  
steadily advancing in Transylvania  
occupying the evacuated districts and  
concentrating strong forces on the  
Upper Maros and in all the Valleys of  
Csik and Gyergyua. They are preparing  
to attack the Austrians advanced lines.  
The Austrians, without awaiting the  
Rumanian offensive, have retreated to  
the next line of defences.

Bucharest, Sept. 14.—The communi-  
qué says there was slight skirmishing  
on the north and north-eastern fronts,  
378 prisoners were captured.

Firing continues on the Danube.

In the Dobruja we are in contact with  
the enemy on the whole front and live-  
ly patrol affairs are taking place.  
Enemy detachments marching along  
the Danube were repulsed, losing eight  
German guns.

### End of the War.

#### Sir A. Conan Doyle's Prophecy.

Sir Arthur Conan Doyle, speaking in  
the City on August 3rd, said while  
perhaps only a Cabinet Minister or an  
idiot would venture a definite opinion  
as to when the war will end, he per-  
sonally thought that the drain caused  
by it had been so great that it could not  
possibly last much longer, and prob-  
ably when they met 12 months hence  
the struggle, which had been a great  
tester of nations, men, and businesses,  
would have come to an end.

### New Russian Loan.

London, September 13.—Petrograd:  
The Russian loan opened on Septem-  
ber 11, and closed on the same morn-  
ing. Tokio twice covered all the  
private subscriptions.



## Great Britain and France.

Messages from Mr. Lloyd George and Gen. Haig.

Stirring messages from Lloyd George and Sir Douglas Haig to the armies of France on the occasion of the second anniversary of the war are published. Mr. Lloyd George's letter to the Armies of the Republic says:—  
"Soldiers of France—We reach the second anniversary of the odious war, which was imposed upon us by the delirious militarism of Germany. For two years you have repulsed the ferocious attacks of the adversary, and for more than five months before Verdun you have held in check the formidable attacks which the enemy anticipated as a triumph against you."

The victorious defence of the lines of Verdun has conquered for the Armies of the Republic—aye, for the whole of France—a glory which resounds to the ends of the earth.

While you so heroically opposed the rampart of your line against the crash of the enemy the British Empire has made sure the freedom of the seas and maintained the blockade of the Central Empire.

While creating powerful armies and manufacturing guns and munitions in such quantities that at last the supplies of the Allies exceed those of the invader, our new Armies have come to help the old. With you they have started an offensive which will be continued without truce or stay. You know the first result of it.

Oh, well-proved soldiers of the Republic, in truth our enemies will multiply their efforts at resistance and we should be imprudent to despise the difficulties of the task.

But things have changed. We have reached a new phase. We it is who are attacking now.

We are forcing him now to evacuate step by step the countries which he has profaned and savaged. In this struggle in which we are brothers in arms our admiration and hope go out to you.

Our triumph is longed for and expected by the Allied nations and by all peoples who have the cult of honour and justice.

Sir Douglas Haig, in his letter, after repeating his confidence in final victory and enumerating the successes gained by the French under General Joffre, the great leader who has won the respect and admiration of the whole world, says:—

The British Army, which was only able to put a few divisions into the struggle in 1914, had been thoroughly reconstituted, and had grown in ever more and more imposing proportions. It had prepared enthusiasm to take part in the decisive struggle.

Five million volunteers have spontaneously rallied to the Colours. But, not satisfied with this effort, we shall bring under arms every fit man, and, as with you, the whole nation will help us to reach the common goal.

The successes of the month of July in Picardy are only the beginning of this new era, which will secure the progressive triumph of the Allies. The task may still be long and painful, but the result is not in doubt. The third year of war will bring to Germany her well-merited chastisement.

Britain, which has sealed on the field of battle an eternal entente with France, is engaged until the end by the side of her noble Ally to repair all wrongs suffered by the nations which have come under the domination of the German Empire.—Ex.

## Reaping the Fruits of Verdun.

The "Kölnische Zeitung" learns from a special correspondent on the western front that, according to the Chief of the General Staff of the German army on the Somme, the actual crisis in the great Anglo-French offensive has passed. In the beginning of July the Allies had on the Somme an overwhelming majority, about 10 men to every man of the German troops. Later the German army was strong enough to guarantee an adequate defence. The small successes the French and British may yet achieve, the correspondent goes on to say, will have little influence on the outcome of the enterprise. Sooner or later they must realise that they are only wasting men. If the French had had more men available, the position would have been far more dangerous at the commencement of the offensive. "We are harvesting on the Somme the fruits of our offensive at Verdun."

### Jutland Battle Criticism.

Captain W. Sims, of the United States Navy, and a former Attaché in London, who was asked by the American naval authorities to write a criticism of the Jutland battle, has now issued his report. He declares that the British sacrificed their battle cruisers. Owing to the fact that they controlled the seas, and were able to choose the time and the place for an engagement, the British Admiral should not have forced his cruisers into action.

Captain Sims asserts that the Germans planned a trap for their adversaries. He praises the fighting qualities of the British Navy, and admits the value of battle cruisers.

## German Economic Measures.

Various Dutch exporters conferred at The Hague recently on the methods of the Central Purchasing Company of Berlin, and signs are not wanting of considerable dissatisfaction at what is approaching more and more to a buying monopoly so far as Germany is concerned.

It is pointed out in an Amsterdam contemporary that, by the establishment of this Company, represented here by the Import and Export Co. of The Hague, it has been made impossible for the Dutch dealer to do business directly with Germany, for every consignment that passes the German frontier and is not addressed to the aforementioned company is seized at prices far below the worth in this country. It has now gone so far, says the writer, that we may offer our wares, hat in hand, at prices solely fixed by the Central Purchasing Co., prices which are weekly lowered by it.

Up to a few days ago, for instance, pudding powder entered Germany freely, and the purchasers gladly paid 11.75 to 11.80 per 100 kilos. Now that the import is in the hands of the Central Purchasing Co., a manufacturer who offered his products was told that "for the current week we are still paying 11.45 for potato flour, and in a fortnight's time only 11.25, whilst we need no pudding powder at all. It is the same with all articles."

### Need for Dutch Organisation.

The writer in question thinks manufacturers and exporters should organise, so as to take the measures calculated to guarantee a free commercial intercourse. In the first place, he says, it will be necessary to sever all relations with the Algemene and the Export Co., and thus with the Central Purchasing Co., until free commercial intercourse has been restored. It is proposed to call a meeting of exporters.

## Patriotism in School Life.

### Suggestions to Teachers.

A memorandum on the teaching of patriotism, prepared by Mr. David Cowan, Director of Education for Hampshire, was recently adopted by the County Education Committee. It is addressed to those responsible for the teaching in elementary and secondary schools, and offers suggestions for rendering patriotism more of a living force in the lives of boys and girls. All interested in education, says Mr. Cowan, agree that the present time calls for redoubled effort to shape the character and mould the ideals of the children, and to no other end can the energies of teachers be more profitably directed than in cultivating a sense and wholesome patriotism.

Without attempting to define with any precision the meaning of patriotism, Mr. Cowan holds it sufficient to say that it is an emotional and intellectual attitude, that it can be developed and cultivated in the young, and that to be of any value as moral training it must be based on service. If it never gets beyond the emotional stage, it is literally but a sounding brass and a tinkling cymbal—or even worse. The child must first be taught to feel an interest in and devotion to his own immediate surroundings—to his family, to his class or form, to his school, and, lastly, to his village, his neighbourhood, and his country. Make a child patriotic to his school and home, and there need be no fear as to the larger patriotism—the loyalty that is due to the country of his birth.

Teaching must be, in the main, practical and concrete. The child must be taught to do something for his class, to feel that he himself is doing something to make its reputation as a whole not inferior to that of any other class in the school. Wholesome rivalry between class and class can be developed in this way, but it is by no means the only method of stimulating the social instinct. Perhaps a better plan is that adopted by the Boy Scouts' association. Next to service comes learning. More effort is needed to saturate the minds of the children with all that is best in the history and literature of the country and through the medium of geography to make the life of Britain "beyond the seas" an open book. The life-stories of great Englishmen and English women should be read and known almost by rote, their greatness explained and understood, while scholars of 13 and 14 years should learn by heart one or more of the many sublime passages in Shakespeare, or such moving poems as Tennyson's "Pipes of Lucknow," "Ode on the Death of the Duke of Wellington," and "The Revenge," Macaulay's "Armada," Wolfe's "Burial of Sir John Moore," Kipling's "Recessional," Newbolt's "Admiral's All." In geography no scheme should be regarded as complete which does not emphasize the importance of our Overseas Dominions. Lastly, the teacher may well make an appeal to the emotions of the children by the use and explanation of recognized symbols and customs. The history of the evolution of the Union Jack, for example, could be explained, and the flag itself might be saluted on the occasion of national festivals.

## State Control of Drink.

### Purchase and Prohibition in Scotland.

The report was issued recently of the Liquor Traffic Finance Committee (Scotland), which was appointed to consider and advise the Government on the methods and principles on which compensation should be awarded on the suppositions that the Government should decide to obtain control of the liquor trade by purchase and that the Government should decide to prohibit the retail sale of spirits, with or without wines, but permit the sale of beer not exceeding a certain alcoholic strength.

The Committee points out that in England brewers are owners of nearly all public-houses, and purchase of the breweries by the Government would give the State possession of most of the public-houses. In Scotland this is not so, and the problem is how to deal with about 6,700 persons who hold public-house licences and with about 3,400 grocers. Scotland is in an entirely different position from England as regards the sale of spirits, with or without wines, and the principle of compensation of any kind has been applied in Scotland. The principle of local option will be in force in Scotland till 1920. The Committee considered whether it would be necessary to set up a tribunal to fix the value of such licences, property separately, but was unanimously of opinion that there were strong objections to this course, and that it would result in the State being obliged to an unknown amount of compensation. The cost of these arbitrations falling on the State might reach a very large total, and years might be consumed in arbitrations.

"We, therefore," says the report, "came to the conclusion that the fairest method would be to arrive at an estimate of the annual profits of the trade, and fix a number of years' purchase which would take into account the effect upon the trade as a whole of the legislation of 1913. It is proposed that the division of the lump sum which it is hoped might be agreed upon with the trade should be left to representatives of the trade itself, but we think it would be reasonable that the State should pay a sum, say, of £20,000 for expenses connected with this division. Without more information than the time and limited means at our disposal afforded we were unable to make a suggestion as to what would be a fair number of years' purchase. We are of opinion that it would be necessary to extinguish the licensed grocers' trade in liquor, but we have no means of distinguishing their profits from this source from those on their other business, but no doubt in some cases they would contend that they could not carry on their grocery business without profits on their drink sales."

We have assumed," the Committee proceeds, "that it would not probably be the intention of the State to undertake hotel and restaurant businesses, but in all such cases drinking bars would have to be closed. The hotels and inns which depend mainly on drink would, in our opinion, have to be taken over. This is the case in many country hotels in Scotland with a seasonal trade, whose principal business during the great part of the year is at the drinking bars."

"We are unanimously of opinion that we cannot recommend the purchase of the Scottish distilleries, nor do we think it necessary to purchase the businesses of those who deal wholesale in spirits. Where they have retail licenses we think these would have to be extinguished, and, although some inconvenience would be caused, we think it would be better that retail purchases of spirits for drinking off the premises should be made at shops belonging to the State."

"With regard to the prohibition of the sale of spirits, we think that the best method of compensation would be an allowance per gallon on probable loss of sales during the period of prohibition, which would have to be arrived at by taking the figure of sales during past years. It is to be expected that the abolition of the sale of spirits will lead to a very considerable increase in the sale of beer, which is sometimes twice as profitable as the sale of spirits. A publican is, therefore, not entitled to anything like the amount of his profits on spirits by way of compensation. "We are not able to suggest any basis of compensation in the wine trade other than the ascertainment of the actual loss of profits and we should not propose paying any compensation to clubs."

## Telegraph Lines.

The Post and Telegraph Department reports that Paknam line is interrupted beyond Bangkok. Other lines are available.

## Bangkok Mails Close.

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At Phra Pradaeng Sept. 14 23.7 mm.  
" Phra Pradaeng " 15 46.2 "  
" Minburi " 17 16.7 "  
" Min. of L. & A. " 19 0.5 "  
**MONDOL KRUNG KAO.**  
At Krungr Kao Sept. 18 52.4 "  
" Anglong " 18 44.1 "  
" Singburi " 18 20.0 "  
" Sraburi " 18 69.0 "  
" Lobburi " 18 18.0 "  
**MONDOL NAGOR JATRI.**  
At Smudagor Sept. 17 6.4 "  
" Nagor Pathom " 18 20.0 "  
" Subarnburi " 18 43.5 "  
**MONDOL RAJBURI.**  
At Rajburi Sept. 18 6.7 "  
" Bejraburi " 18 1.6 "  
**MONDOL PRACHIN.**  
At Nagor Nayok Sept. 17 12.5 "  
" Xiachongso " 18 16.8 "  
" Prachinburi " 18 25.5 "  
" Nagor Nayok " 18 42.5 "  
**MONDOL NAGOR SVARGA.**  
At Kambhaengleja Sept. 17 45.5 "  
" Nagor Svarga " 18 7.5 "  
" Uthadhar " 18 20.5 "  
" Kambhaengleja " 18 21.2 "  
" Tak " 18 26.7 "

**Exchange Rates.**  
**To-day's Quotations.**  
LONDON—  
Bank Bills, demand 1/6 7/16  
Bank Bills, 3 months' sight —  
PARIS—  
Bank Bills, demand —  
GERMANY—  
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Bank Bills, demand U. S. A. —  
INDIA—  
Bank Bills, demand Rs. 113 3/4  
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Writer.**

In the course of a series of articles on the Russian Capital, a correspondent of the "Handelblad" writes from Petrograd:—

"I have not met a single Hollander yet who, when on his first visit to Russia in general and Petrograd in particular, was not surprised at finding both so entirely different from what he had expected them to be. They one and all declare Russia to improve on acquaintance. Russia has made rapid progress during the last 20 years, and it was in the thick of a period of active development when war broke out. It has since been working hard to supply the demands of the army. But it must not be supposed that the Russian Government has eyes only for the war. In Russia, as everywhere else, it is realised that after the war the struggle between the nations will assume another form.

**Trade After the War.**

"Through this war the interest of the whole world has centred more than ever before on the vast Russian Empire. Many British business men have already settled here with an eye to post-war times. Up to August, 1914, the Germans took first place in commerce and industry. The German language was even the commercial language, but after the war things will be different. For the hatred against Germany is so great that at first at any rate the old relations will not be resumed, and by the time hatred and distrust have died down the places of the Germans will have been taken by others. The Netherlands in the first stage of the war bade fair to share the distrust against the Germans as a result of the rumour that Germany had invaded Belgium over Dutch territory. But the displeasure that was aroused thereby slowly disappeared after the rumours had been emphatically contradicted. The arrival of the Dutch ambulance also contributed towards establishing a better understanding whilst the influence of the Russo-Dutch Bank has made a decided impression in financial circles.

"Besides inexhaustible armies, Russia has enormous stores of natural resources that will make their influence felt whence once they are properly mobilised.

**Russian Democracy.**

"The traditional comparison of Russia to a colossus with feet of clay, is, I think, one of the most incorrect ever made. It is a country of sharp contrasts, but also a country with a tremendous future. It is governed in

the most autocratic fashion, but often the most democratic traits may be observed. Petrograd has, for instance, its obligatory closing of shops at 4 p.m. There is on the whole, a good-natured tone of equality that strongly suggests democracy. A General thinks nothing of taking a seat on a bench of the public parks beside a woman of the people, and the public in the tram is of a very mixed character. The wounded and maimed pay no fare. They are, in a degree, sacred to the Russian people, and much is done to render life bearable to them.

**A Wonder Land.**

"It is remarkable to notice the impression made on the convalescents by the wonders of a city like Petrograd. Many come from remote country districts, and before the war never left their birth-places. Then they were summoned to travel long stretches by rail, to march hundreds of miles and spend months in the trenches, and the cities they saw en route were largely deserted and destroyed. And suddenly they are transplanted to a metropolis, their eyes dazzled by pink-and-white palaces and domes of gold and mother-of-pearl. It must seem to them like a bewildering dream. An organisation has been formed to entertain the wounded and convalescents, and they are taken by motor-car, carriage and boat to see the wonders of this unknown land. Theatrical performances are arranged for them.

"Such performances are given in any case in summer in the public parks, so that the people can enjoy them free of any charge. Education is conducted on entirely different lines from that in Holland. Although there are so many people who can neither read nor write, the education outside school hours is much better looked after in Russia than in Holland, while gardens have been especially provided for the children to play in under adequate supervision.

"One of the most sympathetic traits of the Russian people is their child-like nature. They are easily satisfied and fond of a good laugh. The Russian soldier will, if necessary, live on bread alone for days together without grumbling. Everything, even the greatest misery, he bears cheerfully, and he goes to meet the future with a sunny faith."

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**The French "Push."**

Paris, Sept. 14.—The whole of Bouches-du-Rhône, where the enemy was strongly entrenched, was carried brilliantly. We organised the conquered positions. The enemy did not attempt a counter-attack.

London, Sept. 13.—The French push is most likely to have serious consequences for the Germans as it not only drives a big wedge between Peronne and Comblies, the most important German strongholds on the Somme, but for the first time completely blocks the main road behind the German front which is most invaluable for moving guns and stores to threatened points. Moreover the push brings the French into positions imperilling the communications of Comblies and also within a short distance of Mount Saint Quentin, the fight for which will decide the future of Peronne.

Paris, Sept. 13.—The communiques say that we stormed the village of Bouches-du-Rhône and the farm of Bois l'Abbe south-east thereof. We captured prisoners and a large amount of material.

**Air Activity.**

There were seventeen aerial fights on the Somme. Two enemy aeroplanes were brought down and four others were apparently badly damaged. Our air squadrons dropped bombs on the railway station and huts at Guisancourt, causing explosions and fires, the railway stations of Roiser, Montmedy and Thionville, the railway line from Metz to Port-a-Mousson, depots at Handcourt and Etain, bivouacs at Datvillers, and iron-foundries at Uckingen and Rombach.

**French Socialists.**

The *Frankfurter Zeitung* publishes an extensive notice on the meeting of the French Socialists, and gives the Resolutions, which was passed by a majority of 1,824 votes. In this motion is expressed the party's firm determination to devote its full strength to the defence of France, until the territory under hostile occupation has been freed and Belgium and Serbia restored to independence. It rejects the dangerous Zimmerwald and Kienthal "divisionism," and declares that it is the duty of international Socialism to find out the attacking Government, so that the proletarians of all countries can turn against it and the nations be safeguarded against another war. The party further asserts that the resumption of international Socialist relations is subject to conditions that have not yet been fulfilled; whilst awaiting the possibility of the resumption of the International the party has decided to organise as soon as possible a meeting of the Socialists of the Allied countries, at which the economic and political conditions for a durable peace are to be clearly defined, and for which the Socialists will then try to obtain a legal status.

**English Barrister.****Pleads in French Court.**

For the first time on record a member of the English Bar has pleaded in a French court. The case was unimportant—a suit between a tradesman and an ex-Sultan of Zanzibar—but the interesting point is that a precedent has been established.

Mr. Perdrau, barrister of the Middle Temple, was especially authorised to appear as counsel for the ex-Sultan. Maître Henri Robert, the famous French counsel, Batonnier of the Order of French Advocates, made a particular application for the admittance of the English barrister to plead in the French court, and appointed another well-known French lawyer, Maître Ambelouis, to assist him. The Court granted the application as a compliment to the English Bar, and in consequence of the alliance in arms between France and England.

The precedent being thus established, in future members of the English Bar will probably be allowed on occasion to plead in French courts, a thing they have never been able to do before.

**Position of German Children.**

A communication appears in the "Nieuwe Courant" on the subject of the German children who have lately been arriving in Holland. It is therein remarked that when one or two Hollanders applied to the Society for Children's Convalescent Homes and Holiday Colonies, with a request to accommodate 70 German children, this society had the less objection to granting this in that, at the request of a Belgio-Dutch Committee, it was already entertaining a large number of Belgian children. Some 600 of the latter are accommodated at Egmond, and they will be replaced by a fresh contingent of the same size after a month's stay. The State Railways and the Netherlands Central Railways carry these children free of cost. Now 70 German children are being accommodated near De Steeg. Moreover, one or two private committees have been formed in Leiden and Haarlem with the object of providing a holiday for German children of less well-to-do parents, and it is understood that a thousand German children will like the Belgian guests of the afore-mentioned society, spend a part of their holidays in Holland. This fact was exaggerated into 300,000 German children, it is added, and the scheme attributed to the German Legation, whereas there is no official connection with the matter. Further, donations are being openly invited.

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Atmospheric Temperature	1916		Data for previous 14 years.	
	Fahrenheit	Centi-grade	Fahrenheit	Centi-grade
Mean during month	83.2	28.3	83.8	28.7
Mean of Maxima	89.4	31.9	91.4	33.1
Mean of Minima	76.1	24.4	75.7	24.3
Highest recorded	93.0	33.9	99.0	37.2
Lowest recorded	71.0	23.3	72.0	22.2
Greatest daily range	17.0	9.4	24.0	13.3
Least daily range	9.0	5.0	6.0	3.3
Mean daily range	13.3	7.4	15.6	8.7
Rainfall				
	Inches	Milli-metres.	Inches	Milli-metres
Total during month	4.57	116.5	7.294	185.3
Total from 1st January to date	16.41	416.8	31.094	789.7
Greatest rainfall in 24 hours	1.15	29.2	2.43	61.8
Total registered at Borneo Co.	3.78	96.0	7.20	182.9
Number of days on which				
rain fell	21		19.4	
Mean relative humidity during month	74.1%		73%	

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Stations.	Train No.				Stations.	Train No.			
	1	2	3	4		1	2	3	4
	a.m.	a.m.	p.m.	p.m.		a.m.	a.m.	p.m.	p.m.
Paknam Dep.	6.30	9.30	12.45	3.45	Bangkok Dep.	7.45	10.45	2.00	5.00
*Maha Wong ..	6.35	9.35	12.50	3.50	Sala Deng ..	7.52	10.52	2.07	5.07
*Ban Nang ..	6.40	9.40	12.55	3.55	Klong Toi ..	8.00	11.00	2.15	5.15
Greng ..	6.45	9.45	1.00	4.00	*Ban Kluei ..	8.05	11.05	2.20	5.20
Chorakhe ..	6.50	9.50	1.05	4.05	Prakonong ..	8.10	11.10	2.25	5.25
*Samrong ..	6.55	9.55	1.10	4.10	Bangjak ..	8.15	11.15	2.30	5.30
Bangna ..	7.00	10.00	1.15	4.15	*Bangna ..	8.20	11.20	2.35	5.35
Bangjak ..	7.05	10.05	1.20	4.20	Samrong ..	8.25	11.25	2.40	5.40
Prakonong ..	7.10	10.10	1.25	4.25	Chorakhe ..	8.30	11.30	2.45	5.45
*Ban Kluei ..	7.15	10.15	1.30	4.30	*Ban Nang ..	8.35	11.35	2.50	5.50
Klong Toi ..	7.20	10.20	1.35	4.35	Greng ..	8.40	11.40	2.55	5.55
Sala Deng ..	7.25	10.25	1.40	4.40	*Maha Wong ..	8.45	11.45	3.00	6.00
Bangkok Arr.	7.30	10.30	1.45	4.45	Paknam Arr.	8.45	11.45	3.00	6.00

\*Trains stop only at the request of passengers.

Trains may leave intermediate stations 5 minutes before the stated time



### Italian Fighting.

Says the "Daily Mail" War correspondent:—Count Cadorna, the Italian Commander-in-Chief, has again given proof of the highest skill in handling troops. He redistributed his forces and effected a new concentration which enabled him to resume the offensive with great violence. His operations were carried out with prodigious speed in a single week.

The attack sprung on the enemy last Friday was a feint. The Italian artillery increased the fury of its bombardment on the extreme right as far as Duino (on the coast south-east of Monfalcone). In the evening the infantry delivered a vigorous attack, capturing two positions which dominated the neighbourhood. At night the Italian troops fell back before superior enemy forces which arrived on the spot. This demonstration was intended to draw off the Austrian reserves, and it succeeded perfectly.

Next day a hurricane of projectiles from the Italian artillery suddenly burst all along the front of Gorizia. Hundreds of batteries (usually each of six guns) came into action. At the outset the tactics of the artillery seemed extraordinary. Its fire was not directed to demolish the Austrian works or to place curtains of shells behind them. The order was, as the correspondent of the *Secolo* has said, to aim at the enemy's brain and heart.

#### Storming of Sabotino.

The artillery was in fact ordered to discover and destroy the Austrian commander's headquarters and the armoured observation posts used by them. A large hotel in Gorizia from which the fire of the Austrian artillery was directed, connected with the observation posts over a vast front by hundreds of telegraph and telephone wires, collapsed in a blaze under the Italian shells. At the same time the Italian batteries rained projectiles on the depots, the railway station and sidings, but left the town untouched. At 9 a.m. the enemy's brain and eyes were destroyed.

His numerous artillery fired without central control and was speedily silenced. Then the full destructive fury of the Italian fire was turned on the fortifications of San Michele, Podgora, and Sabotino, and then on the rear of the lines connecting the enemy's works west of the Isonzo, on the hills above Podgora, Peuma, and Grafenberg, with Gorizia. So steadily was the curtain of shells maintained that no reinforcements could cross the Isonzo.

A task of stupendous difficulty was the capture of Sabotino, where so many heroic assaults in the past had been shattered with so much bloodshed. It is a mountain 2,000ft. high, and could not be carried with the bayonet. The

enemy's entrenchments were too formidable and the distance to them was too great. There was difficulty in bringing reinforcements owing to the curtain fire which the enemy could intercept from his guns at San Marco and Monte Santo.

This was overcome by the device of a colonel on the staff. Learning a lesson from the tragic failures of the past, he built an approach 1½ miles long, communicating with a network of galleries which brought the troops to within a few yards of the enemy and were of sufficient size to shelter a considerable force while awaiting for the order to attack. This work, patiently carried out by human moles, enabled the first waves of assaulting troops to burst from close quarters on the enemy's battered entrenchments, carrying them with irresistible dash.

#### The Supreme Dash.

Despite the frightful difficulties the men had to overcome the first line of stormers swept forward, keeping pace with the white discs which were carried high above their heads to show the gunners how far they had advanced, as swiftly as a scrap of paper is whirled by a hurricane, until the moment when they disappeared on the farther slope of the mountain, towards the Isonzo.

The Italians have employed with great success some thousands of trench mortars of big calibre, firing their shells a distance of 100 yards. The effect has been simply murderous, and it has been easy to destroy obstructions and the worst tangles of barbed wire. The infantry attack was everywhere impetuous, and the men simulated one another in their eagerness to go forward. The honour of taking the first trench fell to a detachment of engineers, who obstinately insisted on taking part in the assault in the direction of Grafenberg.

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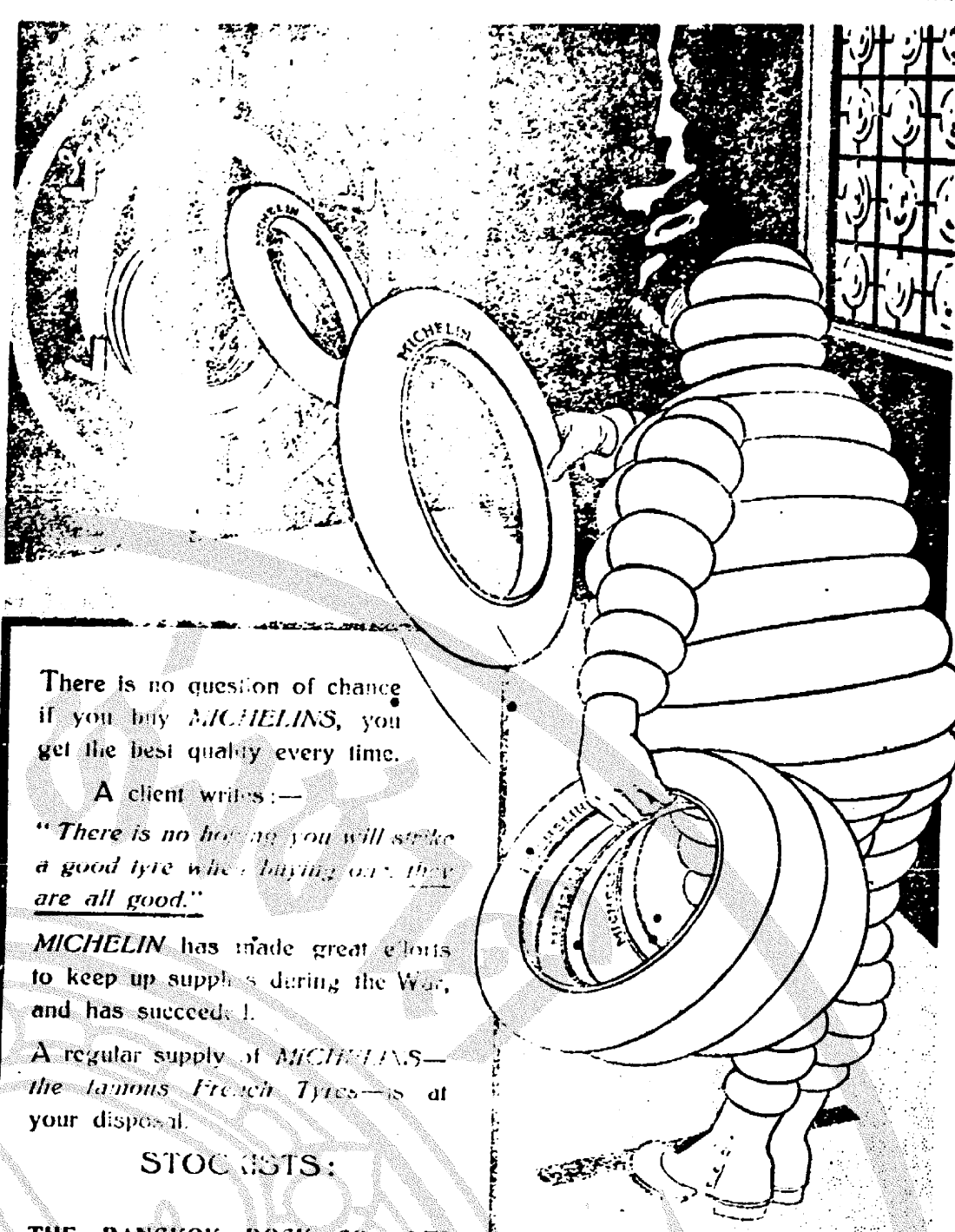
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