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

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

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## Mysteries of the Sea.

## Missing Ships.

Shall the Cyclops be added to the list of vessels that have "arrived" at the Port of Missing Ships? Each day the mystery of her fate deepens. Modern, staunch, well manned, and equipped, to those who are familiar with the sea and navigation the disappearance of the collier is inexplicable, says a New York paper of June 8. If the Cyclops must be added to the "Missing" she will be the first ship with a wireless equipment to enter that port.

Some wreckage floated ashore to tell the fate of the German cruiser Karlsruhe, but no such messenger had arrived from the Cyclops. The New York "Evening Sun" says:

Many instances point to the probability that the misfortune of the Cyclops may never be known. Other vessels, well built to withstand all the treacheries of the seas, have succumbed. One such vessel was the Naronic. She was a large freight-vessel, the first of the twin-screw type to be built for the cargo trade. She was made of steel and had eight bulkheads to prevent sinking.

**The Naronic**  
Just what happened to the Naronic has never been discovered. She steamed from Liverpool. Days passed and then cables began to hum as both sides of the ocean queried about her delay. Finally, some weeks later, a capsized life boat was found with the word Naronic on her stern. That was all. How, when, or where she entered the Port of Missing Ships is not known, but it is there she rests. She was equipped to resist storms and has been called the "biggest, safest, swiftest sea-carrier" of her times, but the sea included her in its toll.

In recent years few passenger vessels have disappeared. In the days of sail and side-wheelers, however, a number of large vessels loaded with passengers were swallowed up, perhaps the victims of an uncharted rock, a heavy gale, a tidal wave, or a fire. One of these was the City of Glasgow. In 1854 she sailed from England with 480 passengers, most of them emigrants bound for Castle Garden. No trace of her was ever found.

Two years later the Pacific of the Collins line sailed from New York for Europe with 386 passengers. For months following her disappearance vessels sought for her in vain. In those days the ocean lanes had not been adopted and there was no means of knowing where best to search.

**The President**  
Other vessels have disappeared, but have left very definite impressions of what happened to them. One such was President, which is generally believed to have foundered in a gale off the New England coast. Another vessel, the Coventry, saw her in the midst of the storm, making heavy weather of it.

The President left New York on March 11, 1841. Among her passengers was Tyrone Power, the Irish actor. She was in command of Captain Roberts. Two months later a bottle was washed up on the shore of Cape Cod with the cryptic message, "President sunk in storm."

In 1870 the City of Boston, with 200 passengers, left Liverpool never to return. It was believed that she was the victim of a severe storm which came up a few days after she left port. Bits of wreckage were seen at sea some months later with her name on them. Such an impression also prevails regarding the sinking of the Portland, which left Boston Harbour for Portland in the fall of 1898. There was a severe blizzard that night, and it is generally thought an extra heavy sea caught her under the paddle-wheel and overturned her.

**Bound for Singapore.**  
On August 28, 1883, the Incheultha left Calcutta for Hull with a cargo of wheat. The following day the Cherubini left Sunderland for Genoa with a cargo of coal. Neither of these vessels was ever reported again. On March 9, 1885, the Magneta was seen passing out of the English Channel bound for Singapore with a load of cable. She also carried nine passengers. She was never sighted again.

Sometimes a vessel is found abandoned at sea without any explanation, or means of discovering the cause of her condition. Such a case was that of the Yula Maru, a Japanese steamship found in mid-ocean with eight dead men on her deck. What had become of the rest of the crew was never known. The greatest mystery is that of the Marie Celeste. Says "The Sun," she was discovered with all sails set headed towards Gibraltar. There was no sign of life aboard the vessel nor, most unusual of all, was there any sign of her having been abandoned. Everything was in order, boats were all in place and ropes were neatly coiled.

The only thing missing, as nearly as could be found, was the ship's chronometer. However, the captain's watch was found in his cabin. There was nothing in the log to tell a tale of storm, disease, fire, or other disaster.

**Sermises.**  
Many sermises have been made regarding the mystery, and books have



written suggesting a solution. One of these insists that the passengers must all have gone in swimming except the captain. He, it says, must have been timing a race with the chronometer, his watch being broken, when the vessel gave a lurch, threw him overboard and sailed away before any of the swimmers could reach her.

Another surmise, made seriously by its author, is that all hands were standing by the rail when a tidal wave split them off. This theory has been generally laughed at, it being pointed out that such a thing would not have been possible without deranging the equipment on the decks. All this was years ago, and it is almost certain that her mystery will never be solved.

#### Wireless.

Had it not been for the wireless it is doubtful whether the world would ever have known the circumstances of the Titanic's sinking. Undoubtedly many other vessels before the days of wireless and ocean lanes entered the Port of Missing Ships through the ice.

The Hun fang reef of "aprilous ver-senk" has of course added another hazard to the many of the sea, and it just possible that the Cyclops may have gone in the way. However that is merely conjecture, and even those who support it believe it unlikely that she would have been sunk without having sent word by wireless.

The Cyclops was loaded with manganese, which is much needed by the nations at war. The vessel was commanded by Lieutenant Commander George W. Worley, who was born in Germany, his name being George Wichman. He came to America as a child, was adopted by a man named Worley in California, and when he grew applied to the courts to change his name, taking that of the man who had befriended him. He became an American citizen in 1893.

#### Liner Torpedoed.

##### Terrible Loss of Life.

London, Sept. 16.—The liner Galway Castle, bound to South Africa with 341 persons aboard, including 300 women and children, and also the South African minister for railways, Mr. Burton, who was saved, was torpedoed at seven on the morning of Sept. 12. A hundred and twenty passengers and thirty-four crew are missing.

The scenes at Plymouth when the Galway Castle survivors arrived were heart-rending, owing to the tragic manner of the deaths, which made big gaps in numbers of families. Thus numbers of children, many almost babies, caused the most pitiful scenes, crying in vain for their parents. Other parents were searching in all directions for their missing children. The torpedo struck between the engine room and stoke hold, causing the vessel to buckle in an extraordinary manner. The vessel appeared as if it would probably break in twain at any moment. The inrush of water was tremendous, sweeping the second engineer into the tunnel from the engine room, where he was drowned. A fireman had a thrilling escape and fell through the torn side of the ship, reached the surface, and clung to the ladder. One boat launching was swamped. Another was injured through the falls fouling. A third was swept upon the propeller. A fourth narrowly escaped a similar fate.

The survivors had had experiences in open boats and passed many floating bodies. One woman was still clutching a baby with each arm.

Mr. Burton paid a handsome tribute to the efficiency, self sacrifice and resource of the naval officers and ratings. Some bluejackets jumped into the stormy sea and rescued many.

THE word "stan" at the end of a word, announced the teacher, means "place of." Thus we have Afghanistan, the place of the Afghans; also Hindustan, the place of the Hindus. Can anyone give me another instance? "I can," said one of the kiddies. "Umbrellastan—the place for umbrellas."

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

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WEDNESDAY AND SATURDAY

## Notice.

Tenders are hereby invited for the supply of 5,500,000 Globing Tickets for the Royal Irrigation Department.

Specification and samples of Tickets may be obtained at the Office of the Royal Irrigation Department East Bank of the river.

Sealed tender marked tender for the supply of globing Tickets must be submitted to the Director General of the Royal Irrigation Department on or before the 1st November 1918 (B. E. 2461) at 11 a.m.

The Royal Irrigation Department does not bind itself to accept the lowest or any tender.

ROYAL IRRIGATION DEPT.  
Bangkok, 23rd. September B. E. 2461.  
23-30

## The Siam Steam Navigation Co., Ltd.

Notice is hereby given that the twentieth Ordinary General Meeting of Shareholders in The Siam Steam Navigation Co., Ltd. will be held at the Company's Office (The East Asiatic Co., Ltd's Building) on Monday the 30th September 1918 at 4 p.m.

### BUSINESS.

To receive and consider Statement of Accounts and Report of Directors and Auditor.

To sanction a Dividend and a Bonus.

To transact any other business that may be brought before the Meeting.

Further an Extraordinary General Meeting of Shareholders in the same Company will be held at the same place on Monday the 30th September 1918 at 4.30 p.m. to pass a special resolution of alteration of \$ 40 of the Articles of Association of the Company dealing with Remuneration of Directors.

Phya Sarasin Swamibhakdi,  
Chairman.

21-23

## Notice.

### CONSIGNEES OF GOODS.—

Ex s.s. "Eurylochus"  
"Inaba Maru"

and balances of goods ex s.s. "Ningchow", s.s. "Idoneneus", s.s. "Agamemnon", s.s. "Sanuki Maru", s.s. "Shinchiku Maru" and s.s. "Kaisho Maru".

are hereby notified that same have arrived per s.s. "Krian" on 19th Sept. 1918, and will be landed and stored at our Wharf, at the risk, expense, and responsibility of Consignees.

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Goods not cleared within 3 days after final discharge of cargo will be liable for godown rent.

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## LOCAL AND GENERAL.

HAVAS wires from Singapore will be found on page 8.

MAJOR and Mrs. Anderson are in town.

THE Post and Telegraph Department reports that all lines are in good order.

MR. Harry Gild has arrived from Trengganu and is staying in the Oriental Hotel.

MESSRS. Buan Soon Lee and Co. have received a shipment of Ladies' Hats.

THE Royal Irrigation Dept. has a notification re tenders for the supply of globing tickets.

THE passengers who arrived by the s.s. *Bonte* are Madame Leconte, Monsieur Reinhorn and Madame Duchaxel.

THE French s.s. *Bonte* has arrived from Saigon and will leave again on Wednesday the 25th inst. at 3 p.m. sharp.

THE s.s. *Kuala* left Singapore at noon on Saturday the 21st inst., and may be expected to arrive at the Borneo Company's wharf on Tuesday morning about 11 a.m.

THE *Ally Hiblad* contradicts the report that the Netherlands Government had granted permission for the transport of wounded Germans via the Limburg railway line.

As an extra inducement to men to hand in old clothes to the State, the Berlin authorities announce that in addition to the regular price allowed for suits, everybody who surrenders one will receive a 1 lb. of honey.

Ex-President Taft, in a speech in New York recently, said: "If it takes 10 years and 20,000,000 men, we are going to wipe the German Empire off the map. Our only concern should be not to underestimate the job."

A LITTLE JOKE in a Turkish Socialist paper called *Yeni Dunya*, says that the University of Stamboul has selected Lenin to receive the Nobel Peace Prize against the Kaiser and Hindenburg, put forward by German students.

A VERY successful rehearsal of *Cavalleria Rusticana* was held yesterday. For the first time the opera was taken right through with every creditable result. An English translation has been made of the *libretto* and may be produced on the night of the performance.

THE Bavarian Corrier is very indignant that Prince Lichnowsky is not to be impeached for treason but that he should even have been allowed to escape to Switzerland. "Who knows," it asks, "what new and unpleasant surprises he has in store for us now that he is safe on neutral soil?"

Mrs. Cronan heard her little granddaughter crying, as if in great pain, and hastened to the child.

"Why, dear, what is the matter?" inquired Mrs. Cronan. "Did you meet with an accident?"

"No, grandma," sobbed Margaret. "It wasn't an accident! Mother did it on purpose."

A CALCUTTA wire of August 31 states that Lieut. Indra Lal Roy, Royal Air Force, a Bengali, son of Mr. P. L. Roy, additional legal remembrancer, has been killed in France. He was shot down over the German lines. He had a brilliant career of St. Paul's school winning the senior scholarship and he also topped the list in the Flying Corps examination. He has been in the army almost since the outbreak of the war.

THE Kaiser has made an oracular utterance on the subject of German soldiers who are taken prisoner. A communique published in the German newspapers says: "The Supreme War Lord is not disposed to blame soldiers, on principle, for being taken prisoner unless proof of guilt is eventually forthcoming. It is often the bravest and most tenacious men who fall into captivity. But the honour of the entire Army and of the individual soldier requires the precise circumstances to be cleared up. Such evidence will often be in the soldier's own interest and preserve him from unfounded suspicions and malicious gossip. It is therefore ordered that every officer, on return from captivity, shall report to the commanding officer of the unit to which he returns, giving details of how he came to be taken prisoner. Every officer who fell into the enemy's hands through no fault of his own will thereupon receive a brief certificate attesting that no blame attached to him. Non-commissioned officers and men, on following the above-mentioned procedure, will also be entitled to certificates of innocence."

## B.B.W.N.G. Fête.

The fête inaugurated by the Committee of the B.B.W.N.G. to celebrate the fourth anniversary of the foundation of the Guild was held at the Sports Club on Saturday night and was in all respects a great success.

The entrance hall of the Club was fitted up with stalls at which fancy articles and sweets daintily packed were on sale. The stalls containing the fancy goods were in charge of Mesdames Buszard, Smyth and G. Hewitt while Mrs. Tilleke assisted by Mrs. Reith looked after the sweets. All the articles were sold out before the proceedings came to an end, the fancy goods realising, we are informed, the handsome sum of three thousand ticals.

Soon after 9 p.m. the concert and cinema show which was the chief feature of the fête began. The programme opened with Fin-auri's *Spring Song* rendered by the Bangkok Glee Society who are to be congratulated on the excellent way in which they sang this item as well as Sullivan's *The Long Day Closes* with which the concert terminated. We hope to have the pleasure of hearing the Glee Society again in the near future. Mr. Ar-Iron gave a fine interpretation of the *Herding Song* which is founded on an old Highland melody. Messrs. Beauman and Tyrer were also in good form, the former singing *Mountain Lovers* and the latter *Until* and Mr. Harrop, who was in splendid voice, sang *There's a Land*. Mrs. James was heard for the first time on the Bangkok concert platform in the charming song *When I bring you colored tops* which was enthusiastically received for Mrs. James possesses an extremely fine voice and sings most sympathetically. The concert also served to introduce to the public Mr. Osborne who is a violinist of no mean order. He played Braga's *Serenade* and the *Melo Perpetuo* the latter being rendered very brilliantly and had encores been allowed, he would certainly have been recalled. Mr. A. G. Beaumont acted as accompanist. It is to be regretted that Mrs. Arnold Jones who was to have sung a song which, with its violin *Obligato* has never yet been heard in Bangkok, was unable to appear owing to a sore throat. Between the musical items were several cinema films the one featuring Charlie Chaplin in "Easy Street" causing roars of laughter.

Refreshments were served after the concert, the room being in charge of Mrs. Duke, Mrs. Simmons, Mrs. Dunlop, Mrs. Arnold Jones, Miss Nason, Miss Fawcett and Miss Jones. Mr. J. C. Roberts, Col. Whiting and Mr. Tatner looked after the bar.

Among the side shows was a billiard tournament of 15 up the entrance fee going to the Guild fund. It was won by Nai Dit Hui-mag.

The tournament, which was arranged by Messrs. Perrins and Wooller, brought in Tcs. 415. The sweep was won by Mr. Tatner.

The "horse racing" presided over by Mr. J. Pollard and with Mrs. Newlands as banker was very well patronised and realised a profit of about six hundred ticals.

Dancing began at mid-night and was continued till an early hour the music being supplied by a small string band.

The fête was very well patronised. Not only was almost the whole of the British community present but many members of the Italian and Danish communities as well.

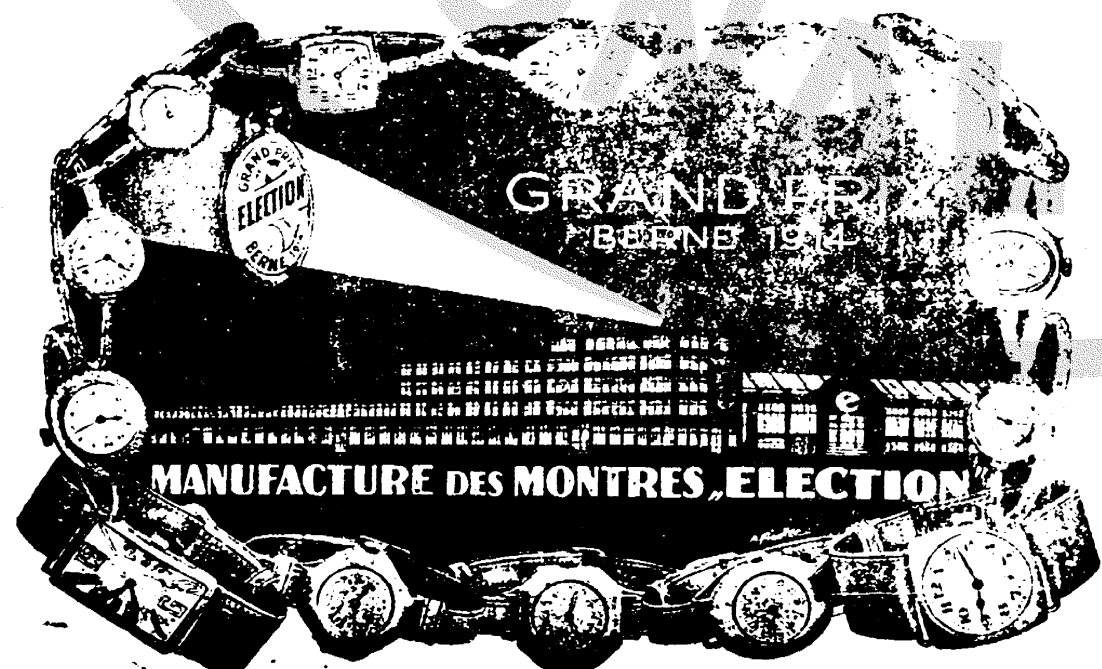
We have not yet heard the exact financial result of the entertainment but it is rumoured to be well over Tcs. 6,000 which must be very gratifying to the ladies who organised it and who are to be congratulated on an extremely successful and highly enjoyable evening.

## Library Bazaar.

On Tuesday and Wednesday of next week, being October 1st. and 2nd, a Bazaar will be held at the Bangkok Library between the hours of 9 a.m. and noon and 4.30 to 7.30 p.m., the proceeds of which will be devoted to the Library Building Fund.

There will be on sale a large variety of useful and pretty articles, ladies' and children's, garments, and curios while a speciality will be made in an assortment of carved tables and chairs. There will also be on sale a large number of articles which will be found very suitable for sending Home as Christmas presents.

It may not be known to the general public that the Library building was erected with money raised by loan. The ordinary income of the Library is only just enough to cover the expenses of the institution and the interest on the loan and the only way in which the latter can be paid off is by means of sales, bazaars etc. As the Library supplies a very great want in this city it is sincerely hoped that the forthcoming Bazaar will be well patronised.



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## Rugby Football.

The following teams lined up for Saturday's game at the Sports Club:—

**Whites.**  
Three-quarters Olsen, Robertson, Butler, Steen-Hansen.  
Halves Cranmer, Preston.  
Forwards Jones, Rasmussen, Fogtmann, Grut, Sutton (Captain.)

**Blues.**  
Three-quarters Walsh, Reith, Keynes, Thune.  
Halves Selley (Capt.) Chapman.  
Forwards Bowden, Kummer, Rasmussen, Schneider, Carson.

Referee Mr. W. R. H. Taylor.

Blues kicked off and in the first five minutes Chapman got over in the corner from a pass by Bowden. Reith failed to convert. Play then went up and down the field for some little time Blues doing most of the attacking and finally forcing Whites to touch down. From the drop-out Chapman picked up and after a short run passed off swiftly to Walsh who took the ball at full pace and clearing the opposition scored under the posts, himself converting the try. This was a very pretty piece of combined play with a lead of 8 points against them. Whites warned up and attacked again and again, Steen-Hansen and Robertson on several occasions coming within an ace of scoring. The first try however came from Butler who went over with a fine rush. Sutton just failed to add the major points. Continuing the pressure the Whites three went away with a good run and Robertson when within about 15 yards of the line kicked across to Cranmer who scored under the posts. Sutton converted, and the scores were now equal—8 points all.

In the second half both sides attacked in turn and forced a touch-down, but Whites were getting possession in the scrums more than their opponents and were consequently more often dangerous. Blues on two or three occasions however looked certain scorers. Bowden, after a long run, got within a few yards of the line but was finely pulled down by Olsen who came across from the far wing at a great pace. Shortly afterwards Walsh picked up in the loose and handed on to Rasmussen who looked like going over but elected to pass to Selley and the latter was tackled almost on the line. After these two efforts Blues were driven back to their own half and kept there for the rest of game. Whites forwards were playing vigorously and on one occasion Sutton brought off a magnificent dribble which would certainly have ended in a try but for a grand save by Thune who went down to the ball in the most determined fashion. Shortly afterwards Fogtmann made a smart run and crossed the Blues line but was tackled in trying to get round under the posts and the try was disallowed. Not to be denied however the Whites three again attacked and Olsen receiving far out went down the line at full speed and beating all his opponents scored a fine try which was not converted. The game ended soon afterwards leaving the Whites winners by 1 goal 2 tries (11 points) to 1 goal 1 try (8 points).

The ground was in perfect condition and there was any amount of passing but too many of the passes were given at a stand-still and too many were lobbed. This was due to some extent to the fact that the three-quarter backs on both sides were not keeping their formation and were inclined to run across instead of straight down the field. It is not difficult to give a pass to a man who is in the right position to take it but extremely difficult to give one to a man who is out of his place, and in such cases the player in possession would do better to go on himself or kick for touch.

Steen-Hansen made his first appearance as a three-quarter and looks like making good in that position; he runs strongly and has a knack of getting through the defence. Thune is at present better in defence than in attack, but, if well coached by his centre he will probably develop this side of his game as time goes on.

It is stated that the French Government asked the Dutch shipping companies whether they felt inclined to carry Dutch East Indian products to Marseilles. The companies refused to send their ships all this way and through the Mediterranean thereby running too much submarine risk, but said they were willing to open a line Batavia-Port Said, when the French Government could guarantee return loads from France, Italy and Switzerland and would put at the disposal of the Dutch ships sufficient coal to return to Dutch Indian ports. An agreement on these conditions has not yet been concluded.

## Paddy Crop Report Sept. 22, 1918.

Nasuan 1,600 Coyans at Rs. 98-174 each  
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Total 1,880 Coyans.

## THE Great War.

## Baku Evacuated.

(REUTER'S TELEGRAM.)

London, Sept. 21.  
It is now permissible to state that Baku has been evacuated.  
The British forces have safely withdrawn to northwest Persia.

## The Hindenburg Line.

(REUTER'S TELEGRAM.)

London, Sept. 21.  
The Australians have advanced beyond the Hindenburg outposts and are right up against the main line.

## In the Balkans.

(REUTER'S TELEGRAM.)

London, Sept. 21.  
French Eastern Communique:—On the 17th and 18th inst. the Allies greatly extended the two previous days' successes.

The Bulgarians are retreating in disorder on the Cerna. Our troops are pursuing and have reached the Cerna. One part captured in the mountainous zone Danilovskamen and Charerna.

They have crossed the Delachiclatza river and passed the Rozden region and the Blato mountain mass.

The enemy abandoned prisoners and much material.

(Havas Telegram.)

Paris, Sept. 21.  
The advance in the east continues. We reached the left bank of the Cerna river.

Paris, Sept. 22.  
Salonica:—The Allies have continued the progress to fifteen kilometres. The cavalry is pursuing the enemy.

More than ten villages have been freed and numerous prisoners and guns have been taken.

## Anglo-Greek Operations.

(REUTER'S TELEGRAM.)

London, Sept. 21.  
Anglo-Hellenic troops attacked in the region of Lake Dorian and gained a footing in the first enemy positions despite resistance.

They have already captured numerous prisoners.

## Metz Bombarded.

(REUTER'S TELEGRAM.)

London, Sept. 21.  
Berlin official:—The enemy for several days has been bombarding Metz with a long range gun.

## French Operations.

(Havas Telegram.)

Paris, Sept. 21.  
We passed Contecourt and took Essigny-le-Grand. We made numerous prisoners.

(REUTER'S TELEGRAM.)

London, Sept. 22.  
French communique:—We captured Essigny-le-Grand.

## British Operations.

(Havas Telegram.)

Paris, Sept. 21.  
The British attacked in the Lempire and Epehy sector.  
They advanced two kilometres and retook Moenvres.

The number of prisoners exceeds 10,000.

(REUTER'S TELEGRAM.)

London, Sept. 22.  
Field Marshal Haig reports:—We recaptured Moenvres.

## Success in Palestine.

(REUTER'S TELEGRAM.)

London, Sept. 22.  
Reuter learns that General Allenby on the 19th inst. attacked on a front of sixteen miles between Rafat and the sea. The Turkish lines were broken through and entered by the afternoon to a depth of twelve miles.

The cavalry passed on, advancing in the rear of the whole Turkish Army eastwards towards Rabliss.

Other cavalry advanced north-eastwards towards El-Efula and Beisan in order to intercept the retreating Turks northward. Three thousand prisoners were taken.

On the 18th inst. General Allenby's right wing attacked westwards of the Jordan and occupied El-Mingheir being as advanced of from three to four miles. El-Mingheir is the junction of several roads from the east and beyond Jordan and the capture was effected in order to prevent the Turks on the west from escaping eastward.

(Havas Telegram.)

Paris, Sept. 22.  
Palestine:—The English pierced the Turkish lines between Rafat and the sea and progressed thirty kilometres.

The cavalry took the Turkish army in the rear, advancing in the direction of and Rabliss capturing 3,000 prisoners and a considerable quantity of material.

## French Government and the Austrian Note.

(Havas Telegram.)

Paris, Sept. 21.  
M. Pichon, in sending to the Swiss Minister the acknowledgment of reception of the Austrian Note, enclosed therewith the official journal containing the speech of M. Clemenceau.

## The French Loan.

(Havas Telegram.)

Paris, Sept. 21.  
The Senate and Chamber have adopted the loan scheme.

## Poincare at the Front.

(Havas Telegram.)

Paris, Sept. 21.  
President Poincare has visited the Aisne front.

## The Peace Move.

(Havas Telegram.)

Paris, Sept. 22.  
Germany announced to Austria that she was disposed to participate in the exchange of ideas proposed in the Austrian Note.

Germany hopes that this invitation will find an echo in enemy countries.

## Death of an "Ace."

(Havas Telegram.)

Paris, Sept. 21.  
Aviator Lieutenant Boyan who is accredited with thirty-five victories is missing.

Paris, Sept. 22.  
The "Ace" Boyan who had brought down forty airships was killed in the course of a fight.

London, Sept. 15.—Italian Official: Yesterday morning in the Brenta valley after a short but effective artillery preparation with the co-operation of aeroplanes bombing and shooting at low heights, we attacked the enemy at Grovella, south of Corte. We, after crushing the fierce resistance of the garrison, conquered the whole defensive system consisting of entrenchments at the bottom of the valley and strong defensive works astride it. We took prisoner 343, including twelve officers.

## CHRONIC DIARRHOEA.

Are you subject to attacks of diarrhoea? Keep absolutely quiet for a few days, rest in bed if possible, be careful of your diet and take Chamberlain's Colic and Diarrhoea Remedy. This medicine has cured cases of chronic diarrhoea that physicians have failed on, and it will cure you. For sale by the British Dispensary.

## American Fighting.

Metz Under Fire.

London, Sept. 16.—Reuter's Agency learns that the news to day from the American front is highly satisfactory. Since yesterday the Americans have advanced two to three miles on the whole front of thirty-three. Patrols penetrated a further two miles. It appears that the Germans are retreating to a line protecting the railways before Metz. Metz is under long range gun fire. There were six enemy divisions operating in the St. Mihiel salient, of a total strength of 60,000, with a reflex strength of 36,000. The booty includes masses of material, over a hundred guns of all calibres, hundreds of machine-guns and trench-mortars. The bridges in the reconquered territory were undamaged.

The British have captured Maisseny, northwest of St. Quentin. The French yesterday took prisoner 2,500.

London, Sept. 15.—American official: In the St. Mihiel sector, our advance units maintained touch with the enemy's forces and repulsed a counter-attack in the region of Jandry.

We are now able to estimate the success obtained during the two previous days. The dash and vigour of our troops, and of the valiant French divisions with whom they fought shoulder to shoulder, are shown by the fact that the forces attacking both bases of the salient effected a junction and secured the results desired within 27 hours. Besides liberating over 150 square miles of territory and taking 15,000 prisoners, we captured a mass of material.

Over 100 guns of all calibres, and hundreds of machine guns and trench mortars, were taken. Despite the enemy having during his retreat burned large stores, partial examination of the battle-field shows that great quantities of ammunition, telegraph and railroad material, rolling stock, clothing and equipment were abandoned. Further evidence of the haste with which the enemy retreated is revealed in the unburned bridges left behind.

The French pursued, bombing and reconnaissance units, also British and Italian bombing units, divided with our air service the control of the air and contributed materially to the success of the operation.

## Congratulations.

Washington, Sept. 16.—Cableing congratulations to General Pershing on the St. Mihiel victory, President Wilson says: "The boys have done that we expected them and done it in a way we most admire. We are deeply proud of them and their chief."

London, Sept. 15.—The King has telegraphed to President Wilson: "On behalf of the British Empire, I heartily congratulate you on the brilliant achievement of the American and Allied troops under the leadership of General Pershing in the St. Mihiel salient. The far reaching results of these successful operations, which marked the active intervention of the American army on a great scale under its own administration, are the happiest augury for the complete and I hope not far distant triumph of the Allied cause."

London, Sept. 18.—Mr. Lloyd George has telegraphed to General Pershing the heartiest congratulations on the great victory. He says: "The enemy has made many mistakes in this war but none greater than when he underestimated the valour, determination and intrepid spirit of the brave soldiers of the United States. Now that he has tested the mettle of the American armies the enemy knows what is in store for him. The news reached me on a sick bed and it is better and infinitely more palatable than any physic."

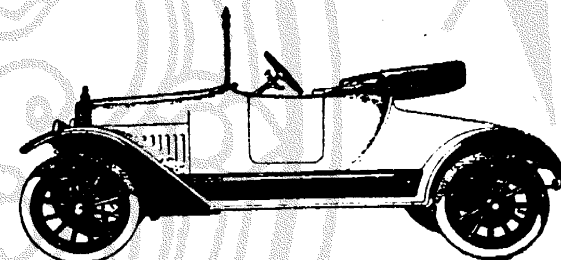
## Air Work.

London, Sept. 14.—The Air Ministry reports: In conjunction with the American attack, in addition to the bombing reported yesterday, we dropped a ton of bombs on railways at Arnaville and Metz Sablon, shot down two hostile machines, and attacked the railways at Courcelles, at night time.

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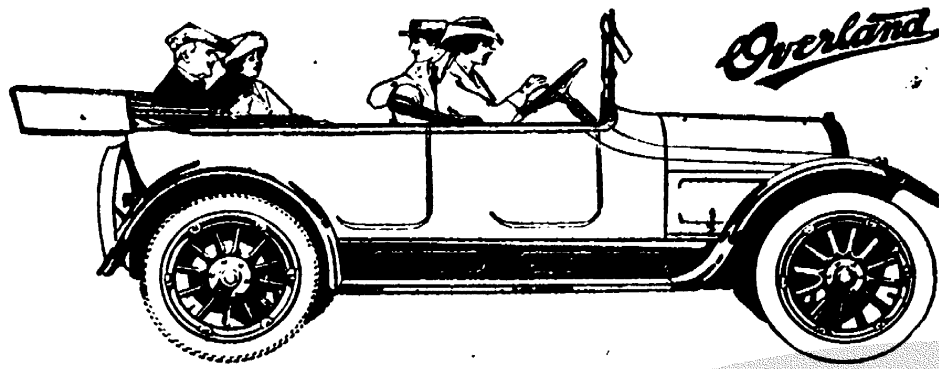
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## In Happy Germany.

### Victorious But Foodless.

Amsterdam, Sept. 15.—The Berlin representatives of the Reichstag majority parties resumed and concluded their deliberations on Friday, when they agreed on the lines of their future political conduct. Deputy Fischel reported the result of the deliberations to the Chancellor. Vossische-Zeitung says that the majority of the parties adhere to the standpoint that the future and form of Government of the eastern border states must be decided purely on the ground of the people's right and self-determination, and the Reichstag's peace resolution of July 1917 remains the basis of their policy.

Amsterdam, Sept. 14.—The Berliner Tageblatt contains a report of remarkable proceedings on the occasion of a trade union deputation to Count Hertling (the Chancellor) on the 12th inst. The spokesman said that the people had become seriously discouraged over recent events. They felt that they were economically sinking. Food continued bad and dangerously insufficient and prices were extortionate, consequently the bodily strength of the workers was declining. They must have more meat and potatoes. Workmen's trousers, which used to cost four marks, now cost sixty and lasted only a quarter of the time, and were unendurable. The people's anger over the Prussian suffrage question had reached boiling point. The military censorship and martial law lay heavy on the trade unions. He urged, now that the exhaustion of our enemies has begun and the break through has failed, that it was time for peace by understanding.

Count Hertling assured them that the political leaders and the high command were striving for such a peace and unanimously opposed conquests. As regards equal suffrage, he repeated the promise that if the upper house did not agree thereto the Landtag would be dissolved.

Herr Wallraf, Secretary for the Interior, promised that the military would reconsider the right of meeting and the censorship.

Herr Walchow, Secretary for Food Supplies, said that it was impossible to get more food. Meatless days must continue in order to insure the milk and fat supply. The potato crop was worse than last year and was only 15% better.

Baron von Stein, Secretary of State, stated that substitutes for clothing must be utilised.

Colonel Braun, of the War Office, promised to examine the question of shortening working hours, but this was impossible in the mines.

The Socialist deputy Legien, reply-

ing, said that the Ministers' statements as regards food and hours showed that the situation was hopeless. The workers could not work the present hours.

Paris, Sept. 14.—Von Payer said in his speech at Stuttgart, that American co-operation is a heavy burden for Germany, as no faith is to be placed in his promises.

### Rhine Valley.

London, Sept. 15.—It is learned from an authoritative source that twentyone important German towns were bombed by an independent air force in August including the following three times: Frankfurt factories, and railways, Mannheim chemical factories, Metz Sablon railways, Saarbourg, Thionville, and Treves railways and workshops. Other towns were bombed once: Bothenbourg, Burbach, Coblenz, Cologne, Darmstadt, Dillingen, Duren, Ehranger, Karlsruhe, Luxemburg, Offenbourg, Remilly, Rombach, Saaralbe, and Volvingen. Over a hundred tons of bombs were dropped. During the past three months, 249 raids have taken place in Germany, and 217 tons were dropped. German territory brought into the war zone, represents a belt of the Rhine valley, approximately 250 miles long.

Paris, Sept. 14.—Enthusiastic support is given to the proposal of retaliation against German towns, which should be razed to the ground, for each French or Belgian town destroyed.

Paris, Sept. 14.—The French Government intends appointing an allied commission to investigate German offences against the laws of war on the western front.

London, Sept. 16.—Air Ministry: On the battle front, in addition to the bombing reported in yesterday's communiqué, we carried out the following operations. Twice attacked Metz sablon, obtaining many direct hits on the railway triangle, work shops, gas works and barracks. Also attacked Boulay aerodrome with good results. On the night of the 14th we kept up all night long heavy attacks on Metz sablon, Courcelles, Elrange, Saarbrücken, Kaiserslautern and aerodromes at Freccaty, Boulay and obtained many direct hits on the railway, especially at Metz sablon and Courcelles. We caused several fires at Metz, Kaiserslautern and Saarbrücken station and at Freccaty aerodrome. Three British machines did not return.

On the morning of the 15th, we again attacked Metz sablon railway triangle and made many direct hits. Enemy scouts were active. We also bombed Buhl aerodrome. Three British are missing. We also bombed Daimler works at Stuttgart on the 15th with good results. During this raid we encountered twenty hostile machines of which destroyed two. All the British returned. We dropped 27 tons of bombs in twenty four hour.

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## German Dyes in South China.

The American Consul-General at Hongkong reports that the secret of German success lay as much in the German plan of merchandising as in scientific and economical methods of manufacture. There were several primary arrangements upon which all the German factories based their trade. One was the maintenance of large stocks of dyes on the spot—not only in large centres like Hongkong and Shanghai, but in all the principal cities and dye centres of China as well. A second was a system of sales on commission—i.e., the factory carried the stocks and risks, tied over all fluctuations in prices, bad seasons, and the like. Another was financial aid to dyeing establishments, such as the large dye establishments the Chinese maintain in various centres for dyeing goods on a large scale. Still another was a graduated system of rebates on sales granted all agents in the shape of bonuses on quantities consumed; and, lastly, a general system of propaganda work, including not only advertising but the service of trained dyers and demonstrators and the like. This whole system was carried on by the exporter. The dealer in Hongkong was in reality only an agent selling on commission.

## Science and Food Supply.

It was recently stated in the House of Commons that a month or two ago the researches on the Haber process for fixing the nitrogen of the air in the form of ammonia, on which the Munitions Inventions Department has been engaged for nearly two years, reached a stage at which it was considered possible to proceed from the laboratory to the manufacturing scale. Germany took this step some years ago. She is now working the Haber process, a State monopoly, in huge factories, and, deprived as she is of nitrate from Chile, she has to thank it, as a link in the chain of operations by which she obtains nitric acid, for her supplies of the explosives without which she could not continue the war.

Her intention, however, is to get more from it still. The titles of a series of patents applied for since the war began show that her chemists have been systematically carrying on techni-

cal investigations having for their goal the production of urea from ammonia. Now urea is an exceptionally powerful fertilizer, containing nearly twice as much as combined nitrogen as sulphate of ammonia; the success of her efforts will mean, therefore, that, with her practical monopoly of potash, she will be able at once to assure the utmost productiveness of her own soil and to take a commanding position in the fertilizer markets of the world.

## Separation Allowances.

Both Hongkong and Singapore are, or have been, involved in considerable difficulties over the problem of separation allowances following on the adoption of compulsory service, says The Statesman, and the Indian Government would be wise were they to make themselves conversant with the facts of those two cases before they act with precipitation on the lines suggested by their recent circular to Chambers of Commerce. The Governor of Hongkong, acting, of course, on local knowledge, fixed minimum separation allowances for wives at \$200 per month, with \$20 extra for each child up to the age of twenty in the case of girls or sixteen in the case of boys. The result was a protest from the Colonial Secretary, who could not understand why each married man should cost the country some £200 a year in addition to his pay. The Indian Government might well consider before-hand whether junior army officers are really worth expenditure on this scale—or a higher one—before they take them from positions in which they are nearly, if not quite, indispensable in this country. It is certain that the wives of married officers cannot be left to exist from hand to mouth in this country, and it is equally certain that the European standard of living, particularly where there are children, is an extremely costly one.

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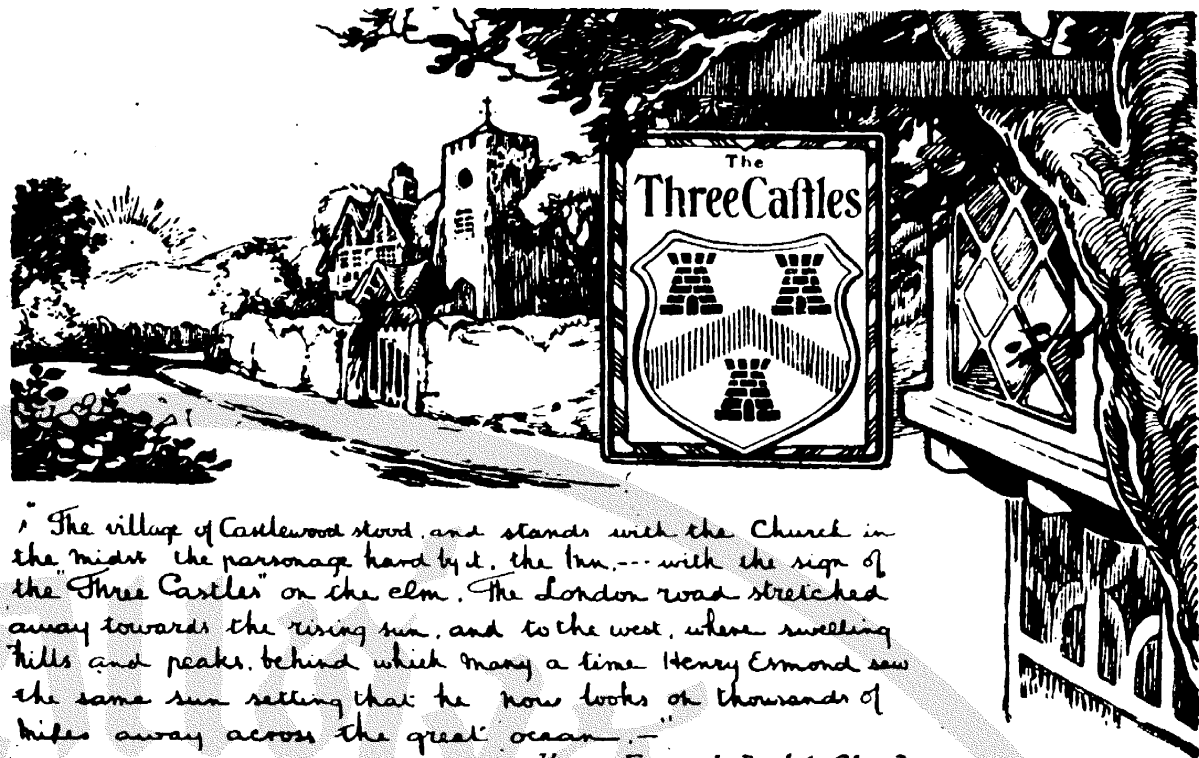
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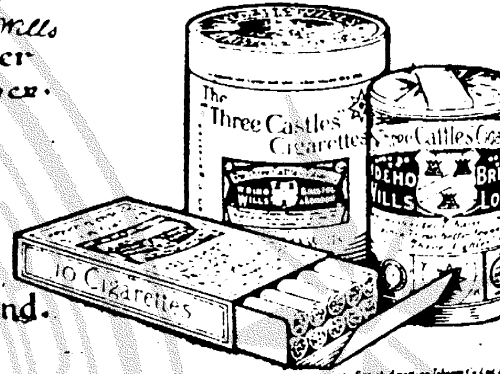
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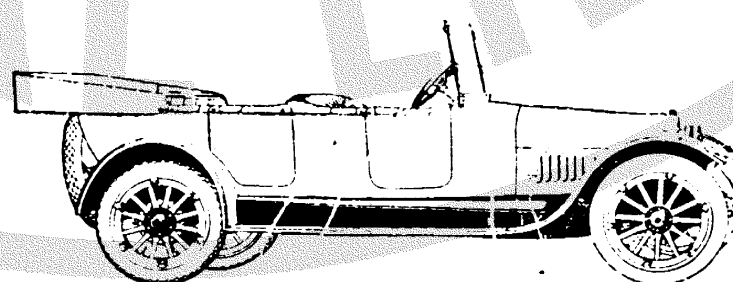
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**Havas Wires from Singapore.****Belgium A Handicap.**

Paris, Sept. 19.  
Belgium has rejected Germany's offer of a separate peace. Now Belgium is a millstone tied about the neck of the Kaiser, and a handicap to the German forces. The Germans want to shorten their line, but that would only be possible with a neutral Belgium acting as a defensive counterpart to the offensive movement of the Allies outflanking Belgium.

**An Account to Be Paid.**

M. Clemenceau's magnificent reply to Austria was most loudly applauded when he said:—"A terrible account from one people to another has been opened. It shall be paid."

**Labour and the War.**

The peace terms of American labour were laid before the resumed conference of the inter-allied labour delegates in London. Mr. Gompers stated the American terms. The German invaders must first be driven out, and he then endorsed the 14 points laid down by President Wilson, (all leading to) a league of the free peoples of the world, and a common covenant to secure justice, peace, and the recognition of the rights of small nations.

Mr. Roberts, the British Minister of Labour, has addressed a meeting in Paris. He said that the British together with the American democracy would continue the war until peace with victory was secured—Alsace-Lorraine to be restored to France without a referendum.

**The Hindenburg Defences.**

The British and French attacked on both sides of St. Quentin, and advanced on a front of 22 miles, over 6,000 prisoners being taken. At points the advance into the "impregnable" zone of the Hindenburg defences extended for several miles. The capture of ten village fortresses was effected. The French took part in the drive, and advanced nearly two miles on a front of about six.

Paris, Sept. 20.

The foremost Hindenburg line has

been reached on a wide front, and the gains held against counter-attacks. Ten thousand prisoners and 60 guns have been taken. South-west of St. Quentin the French have enlarged their gains.

The German Staff are again trying to hide the effects of the Allied operations on the Western front, by attributing imaginary objectives to their adversaries.

**The Balkans.**

Paris, Sept. 20.

In the Balkans north of Monastir the Allies continued their advance. The Serbian and Jugo-Slav troops fought with great dash. The Bulgar defence system was broken through, and now the fighting is on open ground without trenches.

Paris, Sept. 21.

The British and Greek troops are now taking part in the Macedonian offensive near Lake Doiran. The Greek, Serbian, and South Slav troops have broken through the Bulgarian

line north-east of Monastir; and the Serbian cavalry have penetrated twenty miles. Further large captures of material and prisoners have been made. A wide prospect is opened before the gallant Serbians. The capture of Zovik (east of the Cerna) is looked upon as of considerable importance. The Bulgars are in disorderly retreat.

**Retribution.**

Lord Northcliffe, speaking to the officers and men of the Newfoundland forestry companies, said the world will hold the German railways and mines in part payment of the horrible destruction of the cities, villages and churches of France and Belgium. Peace will be dictated by the Entente in Berlin. Town for town, jewel for jewel, picture for picture, Germany must pay full compensation.

**A French Retort.**

The French made a ready retort to the Austrian Note. M. Pichon, the

French Foreign Minister, writing to the Swiss Minister in acknowledgment of the receipt of the Note transmitted through the Swiss Legation, appended to his letter a copy of the *Journal Officiel*, containing M. Clemenceau's speech in the Senate, as constituting the reply of the French Government to the Vienna Cabinet.

**New French War Loan.**

M. Klotz, the French Minister of Finance, is floating the fourth French war loan at a most propitious moment. Though not ended, the war is won and victory is now in sight. There is an abundance of money in the market at present, and the French Government has decided to accept as cash, to the extent of half the amount of any individual subscription, Russian coupons of 1918 already due. This indicates the rock like confidence in the ultimate re-establishment of Russia's finances.

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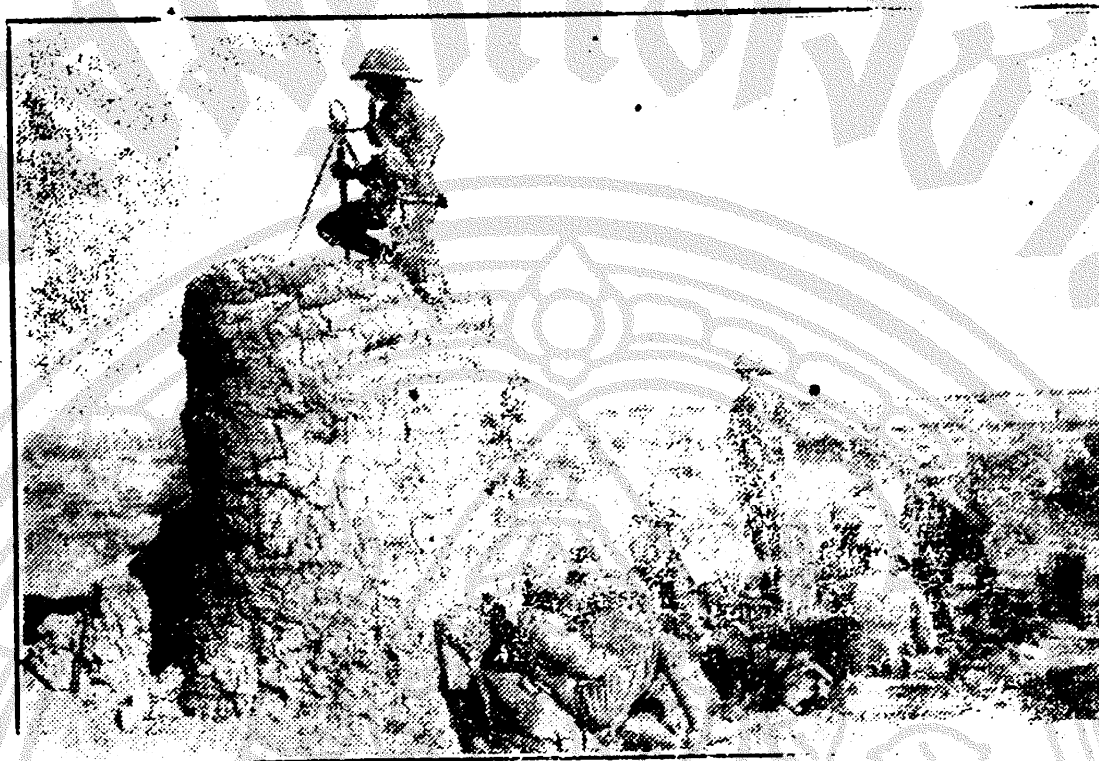
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