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a.m., Friday			Colombo with		a.m.,	
S.S.	"Nanur"	May 12	S.S.	"Kashgar"	Jun. 1	16
"	"Nankin"	" 26	"	"Karmata"	" 26	" 26
"	"Novara"	June 9	"	"Morea"	July 10	" 10
"	"Nagoya"	" 23	"	"Khyber"	" 6	24
"	"Malta"	July 6	"	"Medina"	Aug. 7	" 7
"	"Somali"	" 20	"	"Mongolia"	Aug. 21	" 21
"	"Nankin"	Aug. 3	"	"Malwa"	Sept. 4	" 4

1916

s/s "Nyanza"	leaves Singapore about	July 10	due London	Aug 18
„ "Novara"	do	do	Aug. 21	do Sept. 29

For China.			
s/s	Due Singapore	Connection with	Leaving London
"	" Novara "	s/s " Morea "	April 1
"	" Malta "	" " Khyber "	" 15
"	" Nyanza "	" — "	" 15
"	" Nagoya "	" " Medina "	" 29
"	" Somali "	" " Mongolia "	May 13
"	" Nankin "	" " Malwa "	" 27
"	" Nellore "	" " — "	" 27
"	" Novara "	" " Kaiser-i-hind "	June 10
"	" Nore "	" " Mooltan "	" 24
"	" Malta "	" " Kashgar "	July 8
"	" Namur "	" " Karmala "	" 22
"	" Sardinia "	" " Arabia "	Aug. 5
"	" Nellore "	" " Khyber "	" 19

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	1916		1916
S. S. Hirano Maru	May 10	S. S. Kaga Maru	June 7
S. S. Katori Maru	" 24	S. S. Kamo Maru	" 21

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**JAPAN-AMERICA LINE.**

**Steamers will leave HONCKONG for SEATTLE as follows:**

1916			1916		
N. S.	Kamakura Maru	May 16	S. S.	Awa Maru	July 11
N. S.	Tamba Maru	" 30	S. S.	Shidzuo Maru	" 19
N. S.	Yokohama Maru	June 7	S. S.	Kamakura Maru	Aug. 8
N. S.	Sado Maru	" 27	S. S.	Tamba Maru	" 22

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<b>Steamers will leave HONGKONG for MELBOURNE as follows:</b>			
	1916		1916
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S. S. Aki Maru	June 13	S. S. Aki Maru	

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s.s.	"Prachatiptok"	30 May 1916.	s.s.	"Aslang"	17 May 1916.
"	"Aslang"	27 " "	"	"Boribat"	24 " "
"	"Boribat"	3 June "	"	"Prachatiptok"	31 " "
"	"Prachatiptok"	10 " "	"	"Aslang"	7 June "
"	"Aslang"	17 " "	"	"Boribat"	14 " "
"	"Boribat"	24 " "	"	"Prachatiptok"	21 " "

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## TIDE TABLE.

DEPTH OF WATER ON THE

BANGKOK BAR.

FOR MAY, 1916.

A.M.

H. W. Ft. &amp; In. L. W. (Approx.)

May.

19	4 30	13 1	12	6 0
20	5 00	12 10	...	6 0
21	5 30	12 9	...	...
22	6 00	12 4	...	...
23	6 00	11 9	...	...
24	7 00	11 0	...	...
25	7 00	10 10	...	...
26	1 00	14 0	...	...
27	1 00	13 4	...	...
28	1 00	13 2	10	7 8
29	2 00	13 2	9-10	7 8
30	2 00	12 11	10-11	7 0
31	3 00	12 4	10-11	7 0

June

1	3 30	12 1	11-12	6 0
2	4 00	12 0	11-12	6 0
3	4 30	12 0	...	...
4	5 00	12 0	...	...
5	5 30	12 0	...	...
6	6 00	11 11	...	...
7	7 00	11 8	...	...
8	8 30	10 10	...	...
9	10 30	9 11	...	...
10	11 30	10 2	...	...
11	1 00	13 4	8	7 0
12	1 30	13 1	8-9	7 0
13	2 00	12 7	9-10	6 7
14	2 30	12 7	10-11	5 6
15	3 00	12 6	11-12	5 0

P.M.

H. W. Ft. &amp; In. L. W. (Approx.)

May.

19	7 30	15 3	...	...
20	8 30	15 1	1 0	6 0
21	9 30	14 10	1 2	6 0
22	10 30	14 7	2 3	6 0
23	11 00	14 3	3 4	7 0
24	11 30	14 1	4 5	7 0
25	...	...	4 5	7 0
26	...	...	4 5	7 8
27	...	...	...	...
28	3 30	11 10	...	...
29	4 30	13 2	...	...
30	5 30	13 8	...	...
31	5 30	14 2	...	...

June

1	7 00	14 9	...	...
2	8 00	15 1	1 0	6 0
3	9 30	14 10	1 2	6 0
4	9 30	14 9	2 3	6 0
5	10 00	14 3	2 3	6 0
6	10 30	14 3	3 4	6 0
7	11 00	14 0	3 4	6 0
8	11 30	13 7	4 5	6 0
9	11 30	13 5	4 5	7 0
10	12 00	13 4	4 5	7 8
11	3 30	12 1	...	...
12	4 30	12 9	...	...
13	5 00	14 3	...	...
14	6 00	14 10	...	...
15	7 00	15 3	...	...

## PHASES OF THE MOON.

June 1st New Moon 2.19 a.m.  
" 9th First Quarter 6.41 a.m.  
" 16th Full Moon 4.24 a.m.  
" 22nd Last Quarter 7.58 p.m.  
" 30th New Moon 5.25 p.m.

## Telegraph Lines.

The Post and Telegraph Department reports that Tavy line is imperfectly working with Rangoon. Malay Peninsula main line is still in satisfactory working, and Local line is not properly working with Singapore. Other lines are available.

## Bangkok Mails Close.

HONGKONG via SWATOW.  
Monday 29th 10 a.m. Half 15

## Exchange Rates.

Today's Quotations.

LONDON—  
Bank Bills, demand 19 7 1/2  
Bank Bills, 4 months' sight 16 17 1/2  
PARIS—  
Bank Bills, demand —  
NEW YORK—  
Bank Bills, demand U.S.A. 32 3/4  
INDIA—  
Bank Bills, demand Rs. 113 3/4  
SINGAPORE—  
Bank Bills, demand \$5 1/2  
HONGKONG—  
Bank Bills, demand \$7 1/2  
YOKOHAMA & KOBE—  
Bank Bills, demand ¥72 1/2

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## Siam Observer.

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## Church Services.

## Assumption Church.

May the 28th 5th Sunday after Easter.  
5.15 a.m. 1st Mass for the Native Community; 8 a.m. 2nd and last Mass for the Foreign Community. 4 p.m. Rosary, Instruction, Benediction of the Most Holy Sacrament.

## Week Days.

5.30 a.m. 1st Mass: 6 a.m. 2nd and last Mass: 5.45 p.m. Rosary and Hymns to the Blessed Virgin Mary. May 29th Monday Rogation. St. Mary Magdalen of Pazzi Virgin. 30th Tuesday. Rogation the Blessed Joan of Arc Virgin. 31st Wednesday Vigil of the Ascension. St. Angela of Merici Virgin. N.B. At Mass the singing of the litanies and others prayers special for these days (concession).

June 1st Thursday the Ascension of Our Lord. Day of Obligation. At 5.20 a.m. 1st Mass. 8 a.m. 2nd Mass. Holy Communion. 3 a.m. 3rd Mass Solemn High Mass of the day. 4 p.m. Rosary and Benediction of the Most Holy Sacrament. June 2nd 1st Friday of the month. Holy Communion in honour of the Most Sacred Heart of Jesus. N.B. The novena with supplication and prayers to the Most Holy Ghost opens to day. At 6 a.m. Holy Mass and Instruction. 7.30 p.m. Rosary. Benediction of the Most Holy Sacrament.

## Christ Church.

Service for 5th Sunday after Easter. Evensong at 6 p.m. Processional. This is the day Lord Hymn. 136 Chant Lee Williams in E. 137 Chant Lloyd in G flat.

Magnificat: From Ernest Newton's Service in G. Nunc Dimittis: Barnby's Chant in F minor.

Hymns: Far be sorrow, tears and crying. To Thee and to Thy Christ, O God, Guard and bless our Fatherland.

Vesper: Through the day.

## St. Mary's Mission.

Sunday, May 28—5th Sunday after

Easter (Rogation Sunday). 7.30 a.m.—Holy Communion. 9 a.m.—Matters and Sermon.

Hymns: God moves in a mysterious way. Through night and gloom from Macedonia. Lord of Glory, Who hast bought us.

The Collections at the above service will be given to the Lord Mayor of London's Fund for the Relief of the Armenian Refugees.

4 p.m.—Sunday School.

Wednesday, May 31.

6.30 p.m.—Service of Prayer for those engaged in the War.

Thursday, June 1 (Festival of the

Ascension).

7.30 a.m.—Holy Communion.

6.30 p.m.—Evensong and Address.

Why Allies Occupied  
Greek Territory.

In the House of Commons on April 18th. Mr. Outhwaite asked the Foreign Secretary if any protest had been made by the Greek Government in connection with the recent occupation of Greek territory by the Allies, and, if so, could he make a statement on the subject.

Sir Edward Grey, in a long reply, said that certain protests had been received. The decision of the Allies arose out of the following circumstances:—

The French and British Governments, as was known originally, dispatched troops to Salonika on the invitation of the then Greek Prime Minister. Shortly afterwards there was a change in the Greek Government, accompanied by a change in policy, but the Allies could not then recede from the undertaking they had given. Serbian territory was overrun by hostile forces, and the Allies had to take the Serbians to the nearest available place of refuge.

The presence of the Allied forces at Salonika and the Serbian forces at Oorfu had led the Allies to take certain naval measures of precaution in Greek islands and waters, to provide for the safety of the forces and shipping employed in keeping these forces supplied. The reason was apparent.

In view of the action of enemy submarines any steps of this nature which the Allies might take followed as a natural consequence from the decision to send an expedition to the help of Serbia—(cheers)—which was given in the first instance at the request of Greece herself.

Mr. Outhwaite asked whether M. Venizelos had denied that he had invited a landing at Salonika. In the circumstances was not this landing a breach of our declaration that we were protecting the rights of small nations? (Cries of protest.)

Sir Edward Grey: Everything that has happened in this matter is on record. (Cheers.)

## German Officer on Verdun.

London, May 5.—The "Basler Nachrichten," hitherto notorious's pro-German, published a letter from a young German officer referring to the heavy officer losses before Verdun. The terrible ferocity of the fighting was incredible and there was a tempest of French shells. He concludes:—"We are now within a hundred yards of the French lines but all our roads are under the enemy's fire. We are unable to bury our dead or pick up our wounded. Our rations reach us sometimes, often not, as the men bringing supplies are constantly shot. Few of us have any hope of emerging from this hell alive."

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 "Fukuoka Maru"  
 "Jinsen Maru"  
 "Kirin Maru"  
 "Omi Maru"  
 "Awa Maru"

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Pheasants  
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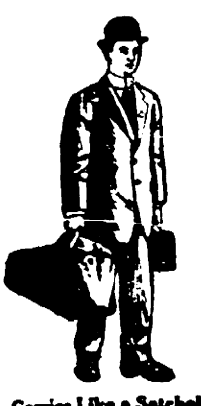
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**THE Great War.****The Beginning of the End.**

The Crown Prince Takes Fort Douaumont Ruins.

(REUTERS TELEGRAM.)

London, May 26.

Paris.—Perhaps the whole war hinges on the present phase in Verdun. An important French Note issued this afternoon states frankly that it is now a general battle between the two armies. "It is possible," the Note says, "that the present decisive period was opened not by the enemy's initiative but by the will of our higher command. Wednesday's great attack which enabled us to re-take Fort Douaumont marked the beginning of a general battle. The Crown Prince wishing in view of his defeat to repair the injury done to his prestige recalled all available battalions and hurled them into the furnace sacrificing division after division. He thus succeeded in retaking the ruins of Fort Douaumont but this achievement is only a mere episode in the gigantic struggle which will undergo other fluctuations.

(HAVAS TELEGRAM.)

Paris, May 25.

Yesterday on the left bank of the Meuse we retook trenches on the borders of Cunieres. On the right of the Meuse after fruitless attempts with enormous losses the enemy re-occupied the ruins of Fort Douaumont of which we hold the immediate approaches. To-day we made progress east of Cunieres. The enemy penetrated one of our trenches north of Carrieres-Hautremont.

**General Gallieni.**

(HAVAS TELEGRAM.)

Paris, May 25.

General Gallieni who was operated recently is in a serious condition.

**The Italian Campaign.**

(HAVAS TELEGRAM.)

Paris, May 25.

Rome.—We arrested columns directed against Mareset and Monte Dinezzo. The enemy is pressing hard against our positions in the Arva valley. We continued to fall back methodically in the Lugana valley.

We sank a gun-boat in the Upper Adriatic. The crew were made prisoners.

The Government has decided to recall General Brusati.

**LOCAL AND GENERAL.**

INFLUENZA is now prevailing in Bangkok.

THE s.s. "Kamor" brought 762 deck passengers from Haikow.

MRS. V. Engel has received news of the death of her mother in Russia.

PHYA Arthakara Prasiddhi has been unwell for the last 3 or 4 days and has not been able to attend to business.

THE German Governor in Belgium, General Von Bissing, has made Flemish the official language in the Flemish part of Belgium.

THE Sports Club Sweep on the New Derby Stakes to be run at Newmarket on the 30th inst. will be drawn at the Club on Monday, 29th inst. at 6 p.m. Some numbers are still open.

THE Hon. Sec. of the Imperial Indian Relief Fund has acknowledged receipt through the British Legation of a draft for Rs. 1,200 amount subscribed by His Britannic Majesty's Indian subjects in Siam in support of the above fund.

Mr. T. F. Dixon, who was installed on 19th inst. as W. M. of Lodge Scotia, has been prominently connected with Free Masonry for 21 years says the "Straits Echo." In Mafeking he had succeeded from office to office but when the opportunity for the highest honour was close at hand he was transferred. His interest in the work here has always been keen. He was one of the founders of the first lodge established in Siam, and his nomination for W. M. was sure, but Fate decided that he should return to Penang where his colleagues this year accorded him the honour his labours have so richly deserved. The Lodge Scotia has ten of its members at the front, and of this every member might well be proud.

**British Legation Telegrams.**

(British Legation telegrams are not to be regarded as official communications from His Britannic Majesty's Representative, unless they are marked "official.")

**The Austrian Offensive.**

(Unofficial.)

London, May 25.

On the Italian front the Austrians are now attacking on a front of over twenty miles. It is still uncertain how many troops they have been able to bring up for the offensive. If their only enemy were Italy their strategy would undoubtedly be first to engage the Italian army in the Trentino, then attack with an overwhelming force on the Isonzo. But the crucial factor of the present situation is that Austria has forty divisions aligned against Russia. It is doubtful therefore if Austria can undertake a second attack on the Isonzo. In the Trentino the Italians have withdrawn steadily to their main line of defence and are disposing of their reinforcements for the second phase of the battle which will now begin. The upshot of the Austrian offensive hitherto is to force the Italians in the Eastern Trentino back to positions which they occupied at the outset of the war.

**The Asiatic Theatre.**

In the Asiatic Theatre of the war there has been no decisive battle during the past week. The Turkish offensive against the Russian centre in the direction of Erzincan after an initial success has been abruptly arrested. The Turks thereupon attempted an offensive on the North in the direction of the road from Trebizond to Erzerum. This second Turkish offensive was arrested at the outset. South of the Armenian mountains the Turks are apparently withdrawing to a defensive position in the environs of Bagdad. British troops have reached the walls of Kut following up the retreating Turks. The Russians are also advancing along no less than four separate roads, doubtless owing to difficulties of supply in this region. A small force of Cossack cavalry has already joined hands with the British and were greeted with tremendous enthusiasm. The failure of the Turks to attack any of the isolated forces which are approaching Bagdad is very satisfactory, since it must be significant of one of two things:—either bad strategy or inadequate forces at Bagdad.

**The Fifth Battle at Verdun.**

The bloodiest fighting of the past week, though from a strategic point of view not the most important, has taken place at Verdun where the Germans have begun yet a fifth battle with four divisions freshly brought up including the first Bavarian army corps recently on the British front. They succeeded in taking Cunieres on the west bank of the river Meuse and in retaking Fort Douaumont on the east bank. The fifth battle at Verdun is still continuing. The present position, concisely put, is that the Germans have reached the main line of the French defence only on the east bank. On the west bank they are still disputing the bloodbathed French advanced line. If they can hold Cunieres and bring up guns they may conceivably take the French advanced line in the flank and force the French back to their main line defences on the west bank.

**Parcels for Kut.**

Delivered by Parachute.

An interesting description of how some supplies reached General Townshend is given by an airman in the "Daily Express."

"I constantly flew over the Turkish positions, and circled above beleaguered Kut," he said. "The Turks are certainly very strongly entrenched. On one occasion we carried five parcels to General Townshend's force."

"It is not easy to drop anything from an aeroplane flying at the height of 5,000 feet and we are obliged to keep that distance up if we do not want to fall a victim to the Turkish anti-aircraft guns. We managed however, to drop three packets out of the five into our lines."

"Of course we have to drop them by means of a parachute. I am afraid the two other packets fell into the Turkish lines, but the wind always blows strongly across the desert and a parachute is not an accurate thing so we were perhaps lucky to get these packets to their right destination."





## Court Circular.

DUSIT PARK.  
Friday, May 26.

This afternoon at 5 o'clock, at the Ambara Palace, Dusit Park, a marriage was formally celebrated between Sub-Lieutenant Siddhi Saeng-Xuto, of King Chulalongkorn's Royal Mahadlek Guards, son of the late Lieutenant General His Excellency Phya Surasena, and Miss Pramoen Bunnag, daughter of His Excellency Phya Viesch Singhanad, His Majesty's Lord Lieutenant of the Circle of Ubol.

His Majesty the King, who in this case has been graciously pleased to act *in loco parentis* for the Bridegroom, poured lustral water upon the couple and anointed them, and presented the Bride and Groom jointly with the gift of 4,000 bahts from the Privy Purse.

The couple signed the Marriage Register in the presence of the King, who afterwards appended his signature thereto as witness.

The following also signed the register: His Excellency Chao Phya Dharmadikarana, Minister of Royal Household; Lieutenant-General His Excellency Phya Deb Arjun, Chief Aide-de-Camp-General; Second Grand Chamberlain and Major General His Excellency Phya Prasiddhi Suddhakar, A.D.C., Lord Chamberlain and Assistant Chief Aide-de-Camp-General; Second Grand Officer His Excellency Phya Sri Kridakara, Deputy Marshal of the Court; Third Grand Chamberlain His Excellency Phya Sucharit Dharmrong, Deputy Major of the Palace; Third Grand Court Officer Phya Nandisena, Chief Secretary to the Ministry of the Royal Household; Chamberlain Chao Mun Sri Sararakah, Principal Gentleman of the Bed Chamber; and Third Grand Court Officer Phya Abhai Ranariddhi, Chief Registrar of the Royal Household.

Sub-Lieutenant Siddhi and Mrs. Saeng-Xuto were afterwards escorted by His Excellency the Minister of the Royal Household to the house of the Bridegroom, to which, by His Majesty's command, the Minister of the Royal Household invited a number of guests to give the customary blessing to the Couple.

At 7 o'clock p.m. His Majesty the King was graciously pleased to receive Lieutenant Ach Indrayodhin, son of Lieutenant-General His Excellency Phya Deb Arjun, A.D.C., and also the said Lieutenant's wife, on the occasion of their marriage, which was celebrated yesterday. The King was graciously pleased to pour lustral water upon the heads of Lieutenant and Mrs. Indrayodhin, and presented them with a gift from the Privy Purse.

Later His Majesty received Senior Page Nai Banroo Baramabad and his wife on the occasion of their marriage. His Majesty, besides making them a monetary present, poured lustral water over their heads.

## Items of Interest.

London, May 20.—Sirdar Daljit Singh has had audience of the King.

London, May 20.—The conference of representatives of the cotton employers and employees at Manchester yesterday adjourned till next week.

Petrograd, May 20.—A communique says: There was uneventful fighting, except in Persia, where the Russians occupied the town of Sakkyz and advanced to the village of Ban, south of lake Urmia.

London, May 19.—Mr. Henderson, at Aberdeen, said that when the next offensive occurred, despite a prodigious expenditure of shells we should be able to continue not for days but for weeks.

London, May 20.—It is notified in the London Gazette that the Albert Medal of the first-class has been awarded to Major C. L. Newall, 9th Gurkhas, for extinguishing a fire in a large bomb store.

London, May 19.—The War Office announces that General Sir C. Mahon has assumed command on the western frontier of Egypt. Lieut. General Milne is now commanding the British at Salonika.

London, May 19.—Reuter understands that the Allies and Greece have satisfactorily settled the question of the transport of the Serbian army, which will proceed by sea.

Copenhagen, May 20.—A German steamer torpedoed on May 17 by a British submarine tried to escape, but was stopped by a shot. The crew were given ample time to escape.

Copenhagen, May 19.—The chief officer of the Swedish steamer which saved the crews of two German steamers which were torpedoed in the Baltic says that the Germans told him they had ample warning, and were even allowed to take their best clothes. The German captain was taken aboard a Russian submarine because he was nearly drowned when boarding his sinking vessel to get the ship's papers. It is believed that two more German steamers were torpedoed.

London, May 18.—The steamship Golconda has arrived at Tilbury.

## Transport Company, "Motor" Ltd.

The following is the report of the directors of the above company for the half-year ended 31st March, 1916, which will be presented to the shareholders at an ordinary general meeting to be held this afternoon:—

The net profits including Tcs. 2,317.58 brought forward from last half year and after writing off Tcs. 10,327.75 for depreciation amount to Tcs. 8,746.43 which the Directors propose to distribute as follows:—Dividend 8 per cent Tcs. 4,800, Director's fees Tcs. 1,200, Late Manager's bonus 50/0 on Tcs. 8,746.43 Tcs. 437.23, And carry forward Tcs. 2,309.11.

The Books and Accounts have been audited by Mr. E. Brande.

The Director to retire is Mr. W. J. Bremer who is eligible for re-election. Mow Rajawongse Suvaphan has joined the Board at the request of the Directors and you are asked to confirm this appointment.

## On Vimy Ridge.

London, May 19.—General Haig, in a communique says: There was some artillery activity between the Somme and the Ancre. The enemy in the Arras sector last night captured a small post on the crater at the north end of Vimy ridge. There was some grenade fighting south of Neuville. Our guns today silenced the enemy artillery in the Wailly sector. The Germans exploded a mine north-east of Rocquincourt. We held the near lip of the crater. We fired a mine near Calonne in the Lens sector and effectively bombarded enemy positions. There was considerable artillery activity near Souchez, Loos and Hulluch. We successfully bombarded, last night, enemy positions north of Ypres. The enemy today shelled Podize. There was considerable activity in the air and a hostile machine was driven down behind the German lines.

London, May 20.—Reuter's correspondent with Headquarters says: Our gain on Vimy ridge was 360 yards, not 250 as mentioned in the communique of May 17. The new line on the crest of the ridge destroys the dominance hitherto enjoyed by the Germans at this point and drives a small salient into the enemy position. The discomfiture of the Germans has since been expressed by furious bursts of shelling and attempts to harass us by every means, indicating that the enemy will make a desperate effort to recover the lost ground. Tunneling towards the enemy craters had been in progress for some time through heavy chalk, and when the mine was exploded the storming party of North Lancashires, soon followed by the Lancashire Fusiliers, charged and seized the new craters, one of which was sixty feet wide and thirty deep.

Many Germans were buried in their dug-outs and their cries were heard amid the tumult and noise, but the severe German fire from the support trenches prevented their rescue. The Lancashire lads, scattering bombs and playing their bayonets amid the smoking chaos, consolidated the position within an hour under a rain of trench-mortar bombs and hand grenades which continued till after midnight. So strenuous was the work of the labour parties that by daylight the whole new front was linked up and trenches of communication cut to the old line. "Conspicuous coolness" and "exemplary initiative" are phrases officially applied to the work of the Lancashires. Two subalterns were killed early in the assault but non-coms carried on unhesitatingly. Bodies of the enemy, whose casualties were heavy, are identified as those of Schleswig Holsteiners, some of the best troops left in Germany.

London, May 21.—General Haig, in a communique, says: After a heavy bombardment, the enemy last night raided our line south-west of Loos and entered our front trench, but was immediately ejected. The enemy also attempted to rush a post north-west of Wietje, but was driven back.

The Royal North Lancashires recaptured the crater on Vimy ridge which the enemy captured on the 18th. Much successful aerial work was done in favourable weather yesterday. There were thirteen combats in the air. Two enemy machines were felled behind the German lines.

## Turks Get a Shock.

London, May 19.—A brilliant British attack on the important post of el-Arish, on the enemy line of communications from Syria to Egypt, is recorded. Warships bombarded the fort south-west of the town and it is believed, reduced it. Saflanes effectively bombarded the enemy camp, and aeroplanes followed to engage the enemy aircraft. Three bombs were dropped among a thousand marching Turks. All warships and aircraft returned safely.

## PADDY REPORT FOR MAY 26.

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Total Coynas	2440

## Destroyed. Zeppelin at Salonika.

London, May 8.—A Press correspondent at Salonika says the commander of the destroyed Zeppelin admits having participated in the raids on England and he claims to have destroyed a station in the Vlna region. This was his first journey to Salonika and his object was to bomb the Allied Fleet. The prisoners from the Zeppelin were almost naked, having removed their clothes to dry after floundering in the marshes. The wrecked Zeppelin lies in a desolate swamp among reeds growing as high as a man, in mud and water. The bombs were thrown from the airship just in time to avoid a worse disaster. The airship fell with sufficient force to crumple up the frame work and to splinter the cabin from which the crew had already dropped. They opened the petrol tanks and fired the wreck.

The "Daily Mail's" correspondent at Salonika says the prisoners state that they comprise all the crew. It is hoped that the body of the Zeppelin may be salvaged.

## German Strategy.

London, May 8.—According to the "Petit Parisien" the Germans, in their attack on Hill 304, employed an army corps on a front of five kilometres, with the object of forcing a decision.

The "Westminster Gazette" is of the opinion that it is preferable from the point of view of the Allies for Germany to use her reserves in this way than in attacking the Russians as a heavier penalty will be exacted from German reserves at Verdun.

The "Times" in its military note considers it more likely that the Germans are intended to pierce part of the front which the enemy consider likely to be less tenaciously held than Verdun than to be used merely to resist an Allied offensive.

## Riot in Berlin.

London, May 5.—The supply of Berlin newspapers to Scandinavia and Switzerland is interrupted. This is attributed to the desire of the Germans to conceal the riots of the 1st to the 5th inst. The "Daily Telegraph's" Milan correspondent mentions that the rioting was on a considerable scale in certain parts. The Berlin police thrice dispersed a big mob of women and children. On the third time the troops intervened and maxims were used. Over 50,000 persons assembled in the Potsdam Gardens. The transport of troops to France from Russia caused serious misgivings.

## Greek Village Pillaged.

London, May 9.—The "Morning Post's" Salonika correspondent records the pillaging of a Greek village by Bulgars and Germans.

## The Situation in Greece.

London, May 9.—The "Central News" Petrograd correspondent says that opinion there regards seriously the growing ambiguous situation in Greece. Greece should define her position more clearly. Greece is negotiating a loan through the Minister in Paris. The solution of the question of the passage of the Serbs may depend thereon.

The "Morning Post's" Athens correspondent has good authority for stating that M. Skoulondis has for several days been disposed to resign. Mr. Zannis would succeed him but he refused to take any steps towards forming a Cabinet.

## Dual Monarchy's Plight.

London, May 19.—Austria's financial straits are revealed by intercepted messages received by Reuter from an official source, showing the desperate efforts of Austria to obtain loans in the United States. She was even reduced to offering the transfer fees of real estate as security. She apparently has to hypothecate her taxes in order to secure a loan of even three millions sterling. Significant reference is made to the unsuitability of transferring money to Berlin.

## Dutch War News.

According to Italian papers, the organisation of the Allies' camp at Salonika is now complete, and operations by the Allies are entering on a new phase. Their troops are advancing from Florina to Corres and are already in touch with the German and Bulgarian forces. The troops are busy making ways of communication which are necessary for the transport of heavy artillery, foodstuffs, etc., etc. The enemy are essaying to prevent the carrying on of this work by heavy artillery fire. The German and Bulgarian infantry remain at the same strength as before. The German line extends from Lake Doiran along the right bank of the Vardar to near Monastir. The Bulgarian line follows the left bank of the Vardar to Anthe. Large numbers of desertions are taking place daily from the Bulgarian ranks.

The German Union met at Herr Hefferich's house on Monday. It now consists of 1,200 members.

The Rondo had to unship mails at Kirkwall.

Dutch butchers announce that there will be a sharp rise in the price of meat. A rumour raised by the butchers that there will shortly be a great scarcity of cattle in Holland, owing to

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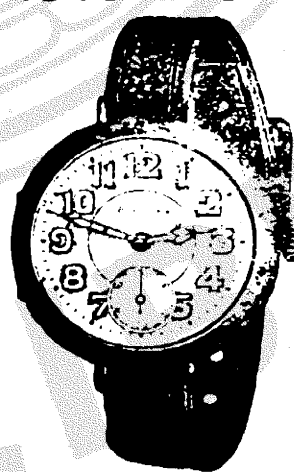
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A Socialist paper at Copenhagen says that there are signs and evidences that the war will finish by the end of this summer.

A German Court-Martial of the 17th Army Corps condemned to death, two Russian prisoners of war, Michaeloff and Baigoloff, for the murder of the German Landsturmer Kretschmar, at the internment camp at Hammerstein, in August, 1915.

The Koninklijke Paketvaart Lloyd will resume the service to South Africa, which had been stopped since the sinking of the Tubantia. The

Dutch liners for East Indies, Grotius, Orange, Rembrandt, and Vondel, are also to resume sailings and four Rotterdam-Lloyd mail boats.

The Dutch Ambassador at Berlin, Baron Gevers, had an interview with Minister London, agent of the Tubantia. The official enquiry is still proceeding. The "Telegraph" states that the vessel was sunk by a torpedo aimed at a British merchantman.

On April 1st, at the Koninklijke Maatschappij de Schelde's wharve at Flushing, the S. S. Buitenzorg was launched for the Rotterdam Lloyd Steamship Company.



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## Fight for Mort-Homme.

Paris, May 19.—The communiqué says: North of the Aisne we dispersed an enemy detachment which attempted to approach our trench south of Nouvrou. The enemy on the left of the Meuse, after a violent bombardment, strongly attacked Avocourt Wood and Hill 304 at five in the afternoon. The attack was stopped by artillery and maxim fire which inflicted heavy loss. Artillery was active and continued most violent on the whole sector. There was an intermittent bombardment on the right of the Meuse.

Paris, May 19.—Furious German attacks have been renewed at Verdun. The communiqué says: At dusk the enemy launched an extremely violent offensive with two fresh divisions against Avocourt Wood and Hill 304 which completely failed except for the carrying of a small work southward of Mort-Homme. Then the Germans tried to extend their progress here but were entirely repulsed. A further German attempt to retake the fort which we captured yesterday was completely defeated.

The French felled two aeroplanes, Sub-Lieutenant Navarre getting his tenth. The Germans, when attempting to take a small salient in the west of Argonne, were hurled back to their trenches.

On the left of the Meuse the artillery duel continued most violent at Avocourt wood, Hill 304 and Mort Homme. The enemy did not attempt to attack. There was moderate artillery activity on the right of the Meuse and in the Woivre. There was quiet elsewhere, except in Champagne and the Vosges where the French artillery was most active.

French aeroplanes made numerous raids on Thursday night, dropping bombs on the aerodrome at Morange and the stations of Metz (Sablons), Arnville, Briellules, Stenay Sedan and Elain, and bivouacs at Montfaucon and Azannes.

Yser Crossing Denied.

Paris, May 20.—An enemy attempt to cross the Yser Canal between Steenvr and artillery fire.

The enemy in Champagne discharged great clouds of gas on our front near Somme-py, but curtain-fire wiped the prepared attack in the bud.

A German attempt to rush a small post in the Vosges failed.

German aeroplanes last night bombed Dunkirk and Bergues, killing one and wounding twenty-seven people at Dunkirk and killing five and wounding eleven at Bergues. French and Belgian squadrons promptly avenged this by

bombing enemy camps and an aviation centre at Guistelles.

Dead-Man Hill Held.

Paris, May 21.—A communiqué says: On the left of the Meuse, after a bombardment of extreme violence, the Germans in the afternoon attacked on a wide front in the whole Mort-Homme region. The enemy east of Mort-Homme momentarily penetrated our first lines, but a sharp counter-attack drove them back with heavy loss.

The Germans on the west and northern slopes of Mort-Homme, after a series of fruitless assaults, which our artillery and infantry fire rendered murderous succeeded at the close of the day in occupying some elements of an advanced trench.

Enemy contingents who pushed to our second line were caught by fierce artillery fire, and retired in disorder, abandoning numerous dead.

A Coup in Champagne.

There was great artillery activity in the Avocourt and Hill 304 region, and an intermittent bombardment on the right of the Meuse and in the Woivre. Our artillery north-west of Roze shelled enemy supply depots, causing several fires.

Two strong German reconnaissances north of Soissons were dispersed by our fire. A surprise attack in Champagne enabled us to penetrate the enemy lines north-west of Ville-sur-Tourbe and clear a German trench of its occupants, all of whom were killed or captured.

A German aeroplane was shelled and felled in the Verdun region.

## The Silver Market.

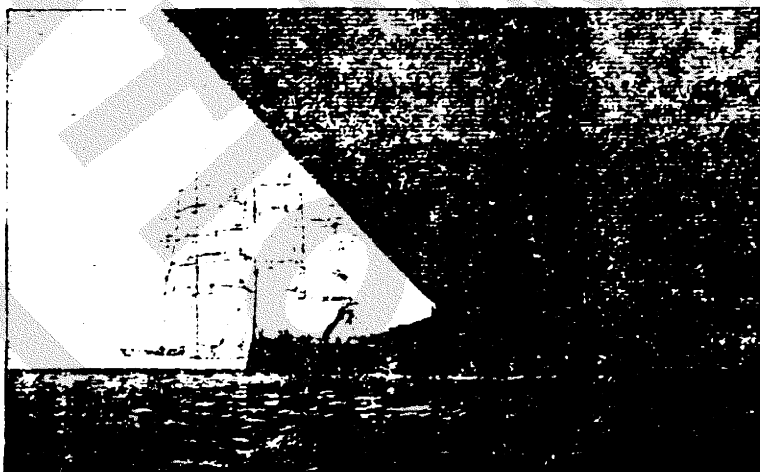
London, May 18.—Montagu's silver report says that the tone of the market is good, though fluctuations in prices are rather wide. Coinage demand continues, but supplies are larger owing to sales from Indian Bazaars, besides normal sources. Apparently an export tax of 10 per cent. ad valorem is to be imposed on gold and silver in Mexico instead of prohibition. China's financial difficulties make exports of silver from that country more unlikely than ever.

## Raid on Kent.

London, May 20.—Official: At least three aeroplanes raided the coast of Kent at two o'clock in the morning. A dozen explosive bombs were dropped on the Isle of Thanet; only a few windows were broken. Twenty-five bombs were dropped in south-east Kent; a soldier was killed and a woman and a seaman injured, while the damage done was insignificant. One raider was felled by a naval patrol off the Belgian coast.

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## Important Statement by German Chancellor.

### Germany and Her Future Frontiers.

In the Reichstag yesterday (April 5th) the Imperial Chancellor delivered an important speech in which he went much farther than he had ever done before towards defining the position which, according to his conception, Germany should hold after the war.

In particular he referred to the future of Belgium, of Lithuania and Poland, and also touched on the possibility of an economic union between Germany and Austria.

He referred again to the German victories in the East and the Balkans, but scarcely mentioned the Western Theatre.

#### The Food Problem.

The hostile nations had been told by their Governments that the military strength of Germany was almost exhausted, that it had no more men, and the spirit had been crushed out of its troops. The speaker believed the battle of Verdun would have taught them differently. The enemies of Germany believed they could achieve the end in view by cutting off supplies. He could understand this hope, but not that reasonable people should still cling to it after the experiences of 1915. What if so far as food was concerned Germany had, for a short time, to return to the position as it was before 1870? The months through which Germany was now passing, were difficult; they reduced many a family to strict economy and even straits. Yet reports were coming in from all sides that the winter crops promised well. It was many a year since such crops had been expected. The 1915 grain crop had been the worst for decades, and yet Germany had a sufficient stock of bread corn, and that not only until the new crop, but the new year would begin with a good reserve. Germany's economic strength would stand the test again. Britain and its Allies, despite the rights of neutrals to legitimate trade with the Central European Powers, had resorted to what was called the Order in Council. The American Note of November, 1915, which gave a correct idea of the violation of International Law committed by Britain, had never been answered by Britain. Neither had the other protests by neutrals resulted in anything but fresh violations of their rights.

#### Submarines and Zeppelins.

No one could demand that Germany should allow the weapons of defence of which it disposed to be wrenched from its hand. Germany respected the legitimate interests of the neutrals in the world's commerce, but expected them to recognise Germany's right and duty to retaliate by every means in her power against the starvation policy,

which waived the rules of International Law and the simplest demands of humanity.

Since he had last spoken in the Reichstag, war had been declared on Portugal, Lisbon had acted purely under British pressure.

#### Peace Terms.

When on September 9 he had declared that Germany was prepared to discuss peace terms, he had added that no trace of a similar willingness was to be found on the part of the enemy. All that had since happened and been said in the hostile countries went to show that he had been right. To Mr. Asquith the absolute and definite crushing of Prussia's military power continued a condition for peace negotiations. Mr. Asquith had declared that he had missed in the Chancellor's speech any offer of peace on the part of Germany. Suppose he (the Chancellor) were to propose to Mr. Asquith to discuss the possibility of peace, and Mr. Asquith were to put forward his demand of a complete and definite annihilation of Prussian military power? United, free Germany was what the enemy wanted to crush. Germany was to be reduced to the powerlessness of former centuries, its economic strength broken. That was what its enemies meant by crushing the military power of Prussia. Germany's aim was, however, to confirm Germany's strength, to protect it so powerfully that no one would ever again think of trying to crush it or deny its right to free development.

What had the enemy coalition to offer Europe? Russia, the fate of Poland and Finland; France a supremacy calculated to crush Germany; Britain the position of disunity and constant irritability, which it called the "balance of power" of the Continent and which had been the true cause of the inexpressible misery of this war.

#### Belgium and Poland.

Germany had gone to war in its own defence. But what had been, was no more. History had moved forward. There was no return. Germany and Austria-Hungary had not intended to open the Polish question, but the fate of the battles had reopened the whole problem. It was awaiting a solution, and Germany and Austria-Hungary must and would solve it.

Belgium after the war would be a new Belgium. Poland existed no more. Even Mr. Asquith spoke of the principle of nationality. If he did so and put himself in the place of his opponent, could he really believe Germany would ever leave the liberated nations between the Baltic and the Volhynian marshes to the supremacy of reactionary Russia?

Not for the second time might Russia send its armies against the unprotected frontiers of East and West Prussia, or by means of French money use the Vistula region as a gate or attack against unprotected Germany. Neither would any one believe that Germany would abandon the countries occupied in the West without absolute safety for

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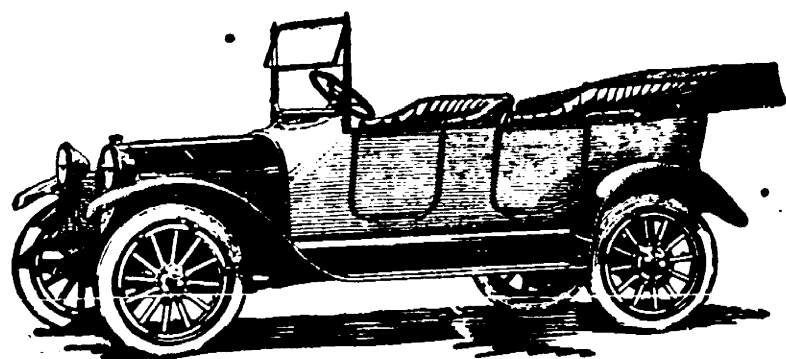
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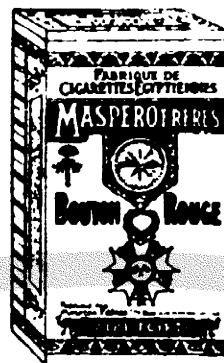


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**Important Statement by German Chancellor.**

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the future. They would see to it that Belgium was not turned into a military or economic outpost against Germany. Nor could Germany abandon the long oppressed Flemish race to the Walloon supremacy. Had not the peaceful German work and industry at Antwerp cooperated towards the prosperity of Belgium? Had not Germany endeavored during the war to awaken the country to new life? From the beginning of the war the Russian Government had strenuously endeavored to rob and hunt down the Germans within her frontier. Germany must and should demand that Russia righted the wrong committed.

A strong tie of brotherhood had been established with their allies, which would in times of peace be followed by a common activity in the interest of the allied nations. Britain on the contrary did not intend to stop the war at the conclusion of peace, but to continue it by an economic war and with redoubled effort.

Germany's colonial troops had staunchly defended the Colonies and were still doing so. But the fate of the Colonies would be decided on the Continent. The victories of Germany on the Continent would give her possession of her Colonies again and open a new, fertile sphere of action to German energy.

**Germany's Enemies.**

Germany's enemies were blind with rage. Germany, however, had no time for idle words. Germany was the only State threatened by the enemy with destruction, and the crushing of its military and economic power. The impelling forces, which before the war had incited the Coalition against Germany, lust of conquest, revenge, jealousy, still dominated them despite all defeats. Germany had threatened no single nation with annihilation or violation of its national character.

What imparted to Germany the strength to persist in the resistance of a powerful enemy outside its territory, in the face of all difficulties? Who could seriously believe that it was land hunger that inspired the German storming columns at Verdun? Or would a people that had given to the world such intellectual treasures, that was for 44 years the most peaceful nation, turn suddenly into Huns and barbarians?

Herr Liebknecht's interruptions were often drowned by excited exclamations in the House. Herr Spahn (Centre) said the decisive victory had not yet been achieved. Germany's enemies had planned at the Paris Conference fresh measures to crush Germany. In his proclamation of August 23, 1914,

**Aland Islands Question.**

Paris, May 19.—It is announced that the Allies have guaranteed that the Aland Islands shall not remain fortified after the war.

London, May 20.—The Daily Telegraph says that the Anglo-French proposal in which Russia has acquiesced, that the fortifications of the Aland islands be dismantled after the war, has allayed apprehension in Sweden, and one of the immediate results will be the removal of the restriction on the Swedish export trade.

**Russian Deputies Feted.**

London, May 19.—The Russian parliamentary deputies were entertained at a banquet at the Mansion House at which Lord Kitchener, Sir E. Grey, Mr. W. M. Hughes, Mr. Schreiner, Lord Reading and many other distinguished persons were present.

Sir E. Grey proposing the health of the guests, said: "Common effort will unite us as closely in the conditions of peace as they do today in war. We take it as a matter of course that the special interests of Russia, as of the other Allies, will be considered and satisfied as closely as our own."

**Comrade in East Africa.**

London, May 19.—The camaraderie of the South African and Indian troops in East Africa is shown by a recent incident. The Rhodesians and Baluchis were co-operating in a friendly covering movement for other troops, and as the Baluchis were hard pressed the Rhodesians offered to help, but the Baluchis themselves, dealing with the situation most successfully, advised, accordingly the Rhodesians sent the Baluchis a letter of the heartiest thanks, adding: "We hope in future we shall all remain side by side, and we pray our Heavenly Father for victory for our Government. God grant it may come soon."

President Wilson had urged the American people to be neutral in mind and deed. His words had not been followed by deeds. America had become the arsenal of Germany's enemies. Germany had not wished an aggressive war, but it must now improve its frontiers.

Herr Ebert (Socialist) thought the Imperial Chancellor had sketched the position clearly. The peace debate in the Reichstag of December 9 had not met with sympathy on the part of the enemy. Germany's military position was more favorable than ever before. He could therefore express all the more easily the desire of his party for a peace securing independence to Germany, an unimpeachable position to the Empire and freedom of economic development.

**Italian Valour.**

Rome, May 19.—The communique says: The Italians in the Adamello zone had a fine haul of arms, munitions and stores which the Austrians abandoned. Italian Alpini extended the ground carried on the crest north of Fargorita. The Austrians at Leiro, after a furious all-night bombardment, attacked our position on the slopes of Monte Pari at dawn on May 17 were repulsed with very heavy losses. The enemy in the Lagarin valley, using numerous heavy batteries, resumed his bombardment of our position at Zugagnatorta and then launched five violent attacks, each of which was hurled back with bloody losses. The enemy continues to bombard incessantly our main line of resistance. All attacks were repulsed and one Italian counter-attack brilliantly recaptured part of a trench in the Monfalcone sector.

Rome, May 19.—The communique says: In the Adamello zone the Italians occupied Crets, near Sarca, capturing thirty prisoners and much material. The Italians evacuated a position at Zugagnatorta, between the Adige and the Terragnolo valley, after three days' intense bombardment, the enemy suffering very heavy losses.

The enemy continued his bombardment with batteries of every calibre against the Italian line from Montemaggiore to Sagliolaspio. This line was evacuated to avoid useless losses. The Italians retired to positions in rear where they are being reinforced. The Austrians violently bombarded and attacked various points in the Val Sugana, but were everywhere repulsed. Italian artillery was generally active on the entire front.

Rome, May 20.—A cheerful view of the situation on the Italian front is taken here. It is stated that the Austrians' small successes have cost them twenty thousand casualties. The spirit of the Italians is splendid in face of a tremendous artillery fire. Experts say that the Austrians are being bled to exhaustion and the effects will be shortly seen to the advantage of the Italians and the Allies.

Rome, May 21.—A communique says: Enemy attacks between the Adige and the Terragnolo valley were repulsed. Then the enemy resumed the violent bombardment of the northern slope of Passolunghi, using few shells. The enemy offensive between the Terragnolo and the upper Adige was valiantly sustained by the Italians.

Attacks on the Asiago plateau, although prepared and supported by a fierce bombardment, were shattered by the firm resistance offered. A great Austrian aerial raid on the Venetian plain did little damage. There were a few casualties in the citadel of Morano.

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	a.m.	a.m.	p.m.	p.m.		a.m.	a.m.	p.m.	p.m.
Bangkok Dep.	7.15	9.48	1.25	3.53	Ban Meh	...	9.7	...	...
Ayuthia Arr.	9.5	11.11	3.33	5.45	Chang Dep.	...	...	...	...
Ban Phaji Arr.	9.47	12.20	4.24	6.30	Den Chai	...	...	...	...
					Tha Sao	...	7.1	2.21	...
Ban Phaji Dep.	9.57	12.37	4.30	...	Uthairat	...	7.18	2.40	...
Lopburi Arr.	11.5	1.55	5.48	...	Ban Dara Arr.	8.16	3.26	...	...
Chongket Dep.	12.35	3.58	...	a.m.					
Pak'pho Arr.	2.17	5.40	...	7.2					
Pak'pho Dep.	2.26	6.30	...	...	Ban Dara Dep.	8.21	3.32	...	...
Pitsaloke Arr.	6	11.5	...	...	Pitsaloke Arr.	10.43	5.30	...	...
Pitsaloke Dep.	...	7.4	2.2	...					
Ban Dara Arr.	...	9.5	4.18	...	Pitsaloke Dep.	1.45	...	...	a.m.
					Pak'pho Arr.	6.20	...	...	7.—
Ban Dara Dep.	...	9.20	4.40	...					
S'edoke Arr.	...	10.21	5.41	...	Pak'pho Dep.	3.52	...	7.20	10.43.
									p.m.
Ban Dara Dep.	...	9.10	4.26	...	Chongket Arr.	6.21	...	9.22	12.28.
Uthairat	...	10.6	5.29	...	Lopburi Dep.	...	7.10	11.6	1.56
Tha Sao	...	10.15	5.38	...					
Den Chai	...	11.57	...	...	Ban Phaji Arr.	...	8.30	12.21	3.4
Ban Meh	...	...	...	...					
Chang	...	...	...	...	Korat Dep.	...	...	...	a.m.
					Gengko	...	7.12	11.32	1.52
									p.m.
Ban Phaji Dep.	10.—	12.30	4.41	...	Ban Phaji Arr.	...	8.22	12.20	2.59
Gengko Arr.	11.7	1.26	5.51	...					
Korat	...	6.8	...	...	Ban Phaji Dep.	6.27	8.37	12.44	3.14
					Ayuthia	...	7.13	9.25	1.23
Bangkok Dep.	7.45	3.50	...	...	Bangkok Arr.	9.28	11.35	3.16	6.—
Petrieu Arr.	9.53	5.58	...	...					
					Petrieu Dep.	7.30	3.55	...	...
					Bangkok Arr.	9.38	5.43	...	...

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