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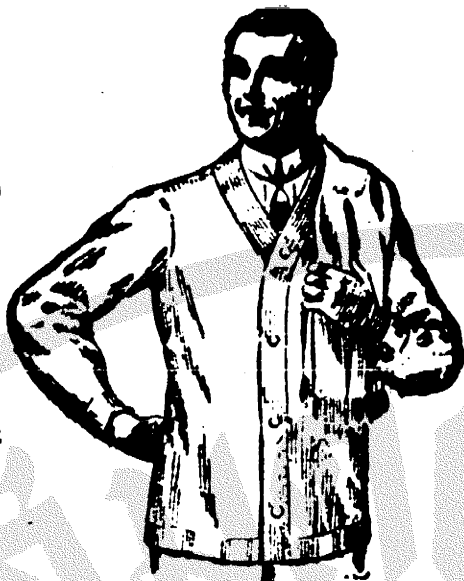
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" " " 26	" " "Karmala"	" 26
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" " " 23	" " "Khyber"	" 24
" " " 6	" " "Medina"	Aug. 7
" " " 20	" " "Mongolia"	" 21
" " " 3	" " "Malwa"	Sept. 4

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" " "Nyanza" May 28	" " "Medina"	" 15
" " "Nagoya" June 11	" " "Mongolia"	" 29
" " "Somali" June 25	" " "Malwa"	" 27
" " "Nankin" July 9	" " "Kaiser-i-hind"	" 27
" " "Nore" July 23	" " "Mooltan"	" 24
" " "Malta" Aug. 6	" " "Kashgar"	July 8
" " "Nankin" Aug. 20	" " "Karmala"	" 22
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" " "Nore" Sept. 17	" " "Khyber"	" 19

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" " "Boribat" 13 " "	" " "Prachatapok" 10 " "
" " "Prachatapok" 20 " "	" " "Asdang" 17 " "
" " "Asdang" 27 " "	" " "Boribat" 24 " "

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TIDE TABLE.

DEPTH OF WATER ON THE
BANGKOK BAR.

FOR MAY, 1916.

May.	A.M.			
	H. W.	Ft. & in.	L. W.	(Approx.)
1	4 00	13 8	11	7-0
2	4 00	13 6	11-12	6-7
3	4 30	13 2	11-12	6-0
4	5 00	13 0	12	6-0
5	5 00	12 7	...	...
6	5 30	12 6	...	...
7	5 30	12 5	...	...
8	6 00	12 7	...	...
9	6 30	12 7	...	...
10	6 30	12 1	...	...
11	1 00	14 0	...	...
12	1 00	14 0	...	...
13	1 30	14 0	...	...
14	2 00	13 11	...	...
15	2 00	13 11	9-10	...
16	3 00	13 9	10	7-0
17	3 30	13 7	11	7-0
18	4 00	13 6	12	6-0
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 8	...	...
24	7 00	11 0	...	...
25	7 00	11 0	...	...
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 30	12 11	10-11	7-8
31	3 00	12 4	10-11	7-0

May.	P.M.			
	H. W.	Ft. & in.	L. W.	(Approx.)
1	5 00	13 8	...	...
2	6 00	14 2	...	...
3	6 30	14 8	...	...
4	7 00	14 9	...	...
5	8 00	14 9	1-0	6-0
6	8 30	14 10	1-2	6-0
7	9 30	14 7	2-3	6-0
8	10 00	14 6	2-3	6-0
9	11 00	14 0	3-4	6-0
10	...	...	4-5	7-0
11	...	...	4-5	7-0
12	...	...	4-5	7-0
13	3 00	11 0	...	...
14	3 30	12 1	...	...
15	4 00	13 6	...	...
16	5 00	14 2	...	...
17	6 00	15 0	...	...
18	6 30	15 4	...	...
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	...	...

PHASES OF THE MOON.

May, 2nd	○ New Moon	11 p.m.
„ 10th	○ First Quarter	3.29 p.m.
„ 17th	○ Full Moon	8.53 a.m.
„ 24th	○ Last Quarter	11.58 a.m.
June 1st	○ New Moon	2.19 a.m.

Bangkok Mails Close.

SINGAPORE.	
Friday 5th 2 p.m.	s.s. Katong
CHANDABURI.	
Saturday 6th 10 a.m.	s.s. Chutathut
SONGKHLA.	
Saturday 6th 10 a.m.	s.s. Andang
COPENHAGEN.	
Monday 8th 8 p.m.	s.s. Bandon

Exchange Rates.

To-day's Quotations.

LONDON—	
Bank Bills, demand	1/6 7/16
Bank Bills, 4 months' sight	1/6 17/32
PARIS—	
Bank Bills, demand	—
GERMANY—	
Bank Bills, demand	—
NEW YORK—	
Bank Bills, demand U.S.A.	35 3/4
INDIA—	
Bank Bills, demand	Rs. 113 3/4
SINGAPORE—	
Bank Bills, demand	\$65 1/2
HONGKONG—	
Bank Bills, demand,	\$68 3/4
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Equivalent of Exchange demand	
London in Siamese Currency:—	
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Dutch War News.

On board the Dutch tug Triton which is preceding vessels sailing between the Noord Hinder and Galloper Lightships, and vice versa, a mine explosion killed a Sergeant.

The Dutch steamer Soerakota put into Kirkwall (Orkney) on fire. The fire was extinguished.

The Military Court at Gravenhage has sentenced 16 German deserters to four months' imprisonment each for escaping from the internment camp at Rorup.

The Rondo sails on 26th April with Dutch mails by the Suez Canal route.

In an interview with the director of the Netherlands and Rotterdam Lloyd Steamship Companies, Minister Posthuma informed them that very shortly he intended to introduce measures to deal with the question of war risks and shipping. He thought these measures would meet the wishes of the shipping companies.

The Eendyk and Rijndyk did not strike mines. They were torpedoed.

The Lodewijk van Nassau, the vessel about which there has been so much heart-burning in Holland owing to her being held up when laden with a cargo of Chilean saltpetre intended for cultivation of rye, struck a mine and sank in six minutes. Five of her crew were drowned.

The “Nieuw van den Dag van der Nederlandsche Indien” says a project is on foot for a powerful wireless installation for direct communication between Holland and the Netherlands Indies.

The directors of the Koninklijke Nederland and Koninklijke Holland Lloyd Steamship Companies, in an interview with Heer Posthuma, were confirmed that Great Britain had promised to permit Dutch ships to bunker provided they reserved 30 per cent. of their space for English cargo.

Minister Posthuma stated that the exigencies of the occasion demanded that all space in her ships be kept at Holland's disposal.

Minister Posthuma informed the leading bakers that in view of the regulation prohibiting the baking of white bread no more flour would be issued to the bakers.

The export of cotton in any form is prohibited from Holland.

The shareholders of the Koninklijke Petroleum Maatschappij have decided to issue more capital and thus raise their issue from G. 70,000,000 to G. 120,000,000.

Berlin claims that since February 21st

the Germans have taken 711 officers and 20,155 men prisoners.

Lord Newton gave the “Amsterdam Handelsblad” the assurance that no one, either in Britain or her Colonies, either official or individual, wished in any way to see Holland deprived of her Colonies or had ever had any design to land troops on the Dutch coast.

The Dutch Lloyd and Netherland steamship companies have raised their freights by 20 per cent.

The German Press states that the position with America is not hopeless. This note is couched in courteous language. A Hague message states that the situation between America is critical, but not hopeless.

Allied warships and aeroplane bombed the coast near Smyrna.

Krupp has bought a thousand hectares of land at Magdenburg to build a new munition factory.

Germany feared a landing of British troops in Zealand, at the end of March, and concentrated troops on the Dutch frontier.

The Dutch 1916 Class were not called up owing to the outbreak of meningitis.

The Dutch Anti-War League has again requested Minister Louden to call a conference of neutral powers to bring about peace or to state that Holland is willing to share in such a conference. The request, it is stated, is inspired by the measures passed in the Swedish Riksdag, and the speech of Dr. von Bethmann-Hollweg.

The Netherlands Overseas Trust has arranged with Dutch cocoa manufacturers for fresh supplies of cocoa beans.

The following telegrams are from “Sumatra Post” of April 24 and 25:—

The Recent Alarms.

It can be stated on good authority that Germany was really afraid that Great Britain at the end of March was about to land troops in Zealand. That was the reason for the concentration of German troops on the Dutch frontier and the counter-measures taken by the Dutch General Staff.

The Allies' Attitude.

Lord Newton, Paymaster-General in the British Ministry, assured a correspondent of the Amsterdam “Handelsblad” that England never had any designs on the rights of Holland either as regards the Rhine or the Scheldt. Lord Newton also declared that nobody in Britain or her Colonies—neither officials nor private individuals—had ever thought of an attempt to deprive Hol-

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do not forget the
Bear Brand Milk.



This popular and reliable brand is sold by all the leading
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TIME TABLE.

PAKNAM—BANGKOK.					BANGKOK—PAKNAM						
Stations.		Train No.			Stations.		Train No.				
		1	2	3	4		1	2	3	4	
		a.m.	a.m.	p.m.	p.m.		a.m.	a.m.	p.m.	p.m.	
Paknam	Dep.	6.30	9.30	12.45	3.45	Bangkok	Dep.	7.45	10.45	2.00	5.00
*Maha Wong	..	6.35	9.35	12.50	3.50	Sala Deng	..	7.52	10.52	2.07	5.07
*Ban Nang Gheng	..	6.40	9.40	12.55	3.55	Klong Toi	..	8.00	11.00	2.15	5.15
Chorakhe	..	6.45	9.45	1.00	4.00	*Ban Kluei	..	8.05	11.05	2.20	5.20
*Samrong	..	6.50	9.50	1.05	4.05	Prakonong	..	8.10	11.10	2.25	5.25
Bangna	..	6.55	9.55	1.10	4.10	Bangdjak	..	8.15	11.15	2.30	5.30
Bangdjak	..	7.00	10.00	1.15	4.15	*Bangua	..	8.20	11.20	2.35	5.35
Prakonong	..	7.05	10.05	1.20	4.20	Samrong	..	8.25	11.25	2.40	5.40
*Ban Kluei	..	7.10	10.10	1.25	4.25	Chorakhe	..	8.30	11.30	2.45	5.45
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Sala Deng	..	7.23	10.23	1.38	4.38	*Maha Wong	..	8.40	11.40	2.55	5.55
Bangkok	Arr.	7.30	10.30	1.45	4.45	Paknam	Arr.	8.45	11.45	3.00	6.00

land of her colonial possessions. Finally he secured the correspondent that there had never been any plan for landing troops on the Dutch coast.

Peace Talk.

The Dutch Anti-War League has again asked the Premier to consider the advisability of convoking a conference of neutrals in the interests of peace and to declare that Holland would readily take part in such a conference. The request was based on the recent resolution of the Swedish Second Chamber and the last speech of Dr. von Bethmann-Hollweg in the Reichstag.

Sickness in the Army.

The calling up of the militia class of 1916 fixed for May has been indefinitely postponed owing to the prevalence of meningitis among the mobilised troops.

The American Crisis.

The German press does not regard the situation with the United States as hopeless. The German publication of the text of the Note confirms Kauter's summary. It is couched in polite but decisive terms.

Krupp's have bought several thousand acres of land near Magdeburg for the construction of new factories.

Vienna reports that seven Italian airmen dropped 25 bombs on Trieste. A number of persons were killed and wounded and some damage was done.

Warships and an aeroplane bombarded the coast near Smyrna.

An Exchange telegram from Amsterdam says that a woman fired two revolver shots at Herr Liebknecht in a Berlin street but missed him.

The *Freie Presse* of Dresden fears that another winter campaign is possible. Russia is already making efforts for it.

A Glasgow agitator and ex-teacher named Greusacy has been convicted and sentenced to three years' penal servitude under the Defence of the Realm Act.

A Central News telegram from Amsterdam says that a meeting at Dresden at which the Socialist deputies spoke concerning the new taxes was so tumultuous that the police closed it.

The *Daily News* Rome correspondent contrasts Teuton optimism touching Rumania with the fact that the Hungarians in Transylvania have been considerably reinforced.

Sir Lionel Phillips, in an address at Johannesburg, said that he received a cable from General Townshend on April 7, stating that he was well and expecting relief in the near future.

The *Daily Telegraph's* Petrograd correspondent says that in the regions of Riga and Dvinsk the weather is warm and sunny. The Dvina is quite clear of ice. The ground has already begun to dry. The Pripiet marshes, however, are at their worst.

The *Daily Mail's* Athens correspondent says: The Italians are now in force at Valona. They have the heaviest artillery and the strategic positions inland are well organised. The

Austrians are nowhere near. The *Daily Telegraph's* Milan correspondent learns that Austrian financiers are anxious concerning the fourth loan. Germany refused to provide the third part thereof as in the cases of previous loans. The peace agitation among the burgher classes is growing. The Archbishop of the Vienna openly leads the prayers for peace.

The *Temps* states that the French Government know the number, as well as the name of the commander, of the submarine which sunk the "Sussex."

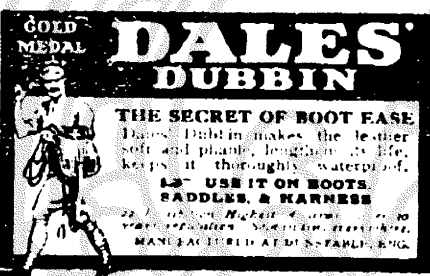
The *Daily Telegraph's* Paris correspondent says the crew of a German submarine recently sunk near Havre furnished conclusive evidence which will possibly be published at the proper time.

The *Daily Chronicle's* Petrograd correspondent says that news is daily received of the weakening of the Turkish resistance on every part of Russia's Asian front. This weakening is despite the drawing of reinforcements from every Ottoman front except Baghdad and the south thereof. Five divisions (Turkish divisions probably not exceeding 10,000 of all arms) were obtained from Djemal Pasha's new Mesopotamian army and four divisions from the Dardanelles, Thrace and Bulgaria. These reinforcements scattered over the whole front are now aiding the third Turkish army in their rear-guard fighting but they were unable to prevent a severe defeat at Mamakhatan.

The *Times* naval correspondent is of the opinion that submarine activity must be periodic and we are at present experiencing it at its full blast. The April losses are likely to exceed those of March. The official total for March is slightly over 60,000 tons.

The *Daily Telegraph's* Rome correspondent, quoting a Bucharest telegram says Russia has neutralised the activity of submarines infesting the arm of the Danube at Kilia by a system of mines which prevents their entering the Black Sea. A number have been lost in trying to do so.

The *Daily Chronicle's* Petrograd correspondent says that German submarines are appearing in the Black Sea in increasing numbers, probably using Varna as a base. The sinking of the "Portugal" is their only achievement hitherto.



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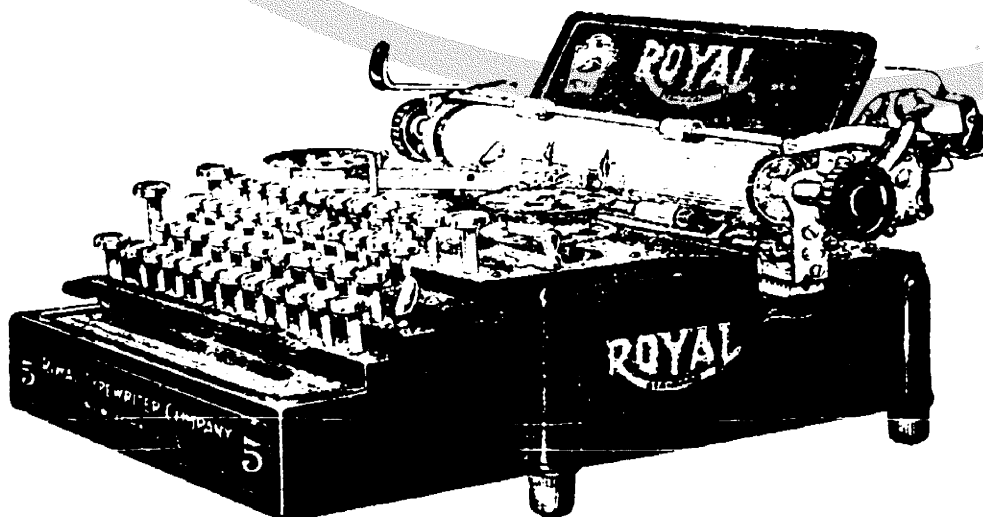
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THE Great War.

The Dublin Rebels.

(REUTER'S TELEGRAM.)

London, May 3.

It is officially reported that all the
Dublin rebel commandoes have sur-
rendered.

The scene of the surrender was most
dramatic. When the rebels put up the
white flag the troops ceased all firing.
The rebel leaders, under a flag of truce,
approached the officers and soldiers in
Sackville street. An armistice was
arranged and thereafter the rebel pre-
sident Pearse signalled unconditional
surrender, copies of which have been
posted throughout Ireland.

(Havas Telegram.)

Paris, May 2.

London.—The Dublin rebellion is
being quelled. It was fomented un-
der German instigation by the Irish-
man Sir Roger Casement who was
captured on board a vessel carrying
arms and munitions to the Irish coast.
The rebellion was frustrated by the Irish
population and ended after street com-
bats by the surrendering of the rebels
whose leaders were either killed or made
prisoners. The total number of vic-
tims has reached a thousand among
whom were several German officers.

Aeroplanes Captured.

(Havas Telegram.)

Paris, May 2.

Yesterday there was cannonading.
We brought down in the month of
April 31 enemy aeroplanes. We lost
six.

To-day in the course of actions on
Morthomme slope we made progress on
a front of a thousand metres and a
depth of 600 metres.

We made an attack south-east of
Dauvaumont fort and captured a trench
on a front of 600 metres and took about
a hundred prisoners.

Annamites in France.

(Havas Telegram.)

Paris, May 2.

Marseilles.—The s.s. Polynesian has
landed 774 Annamites sent for work
in connection with the war.

The Rubber Market.

("S. O." SPECIAL CORRESPONDENT.)

Singapore, May 4.

At the rubber auctions 460 tons were
offered. The demand was easy and
prices were considerably lower.

King George's Yacht Sunk.

(REUTER'S TELEGRAM.)

London, May 3.

H. M. King George's armed Yacht
Aegusa and the minesweeper Nestor-
tum have been sunk by mines in the
Mediterranean Sea. All the officers
were saved. Six of the Aegusa's crew
and seven of the Nestorinum's are
missing.

German Attacks Repulsed.

(REUTER'S TELEGRAM.)

London, May 3.

Paris.—Germans have suffered heavy
defeats in Verdun.

The communiqué says they attacked
powerfully at dusk in massed forma-
tion against Morthomme. Our artillery
and machine-guns inflicted enormous
losses and every German assault was
smashed.

Another series of German attacks in
Cumieres were similarly defeated with
heavy losses.

There has been a violent and con-
tinuous bombardment on Hill 304 and
Vaux.

French Air Raids.

(REUTER'S TELEGRAM.)

London, May 3.

French air squadrons delivered des-
tructive attacks on railway stations and
food and ammunition depots around
Metz.

Not Spotted Fever.

(REUTER'S TELEGRAM.)

London, May 3.

It is reported from Bukharest that
von der Goltz Pasha was shot by an
Anatolian officer named Ali Abdullah.
There is great Turkish discontent
against Germans.

A serious split among the Young
Turks is reported from Constantino-
ple.

LOCAL AND GENERAL.

Mr. R. D. Craig, Mrs. Tieseman and
Mr. H. Olesen arrived by the "Aedang"
yesterday.

THE s.s. "Mata Hari" is expected
on Monday 8th. May and will load for
Singapore direct.

THE Siam Auctioneering Co. will
sell by auction the household furniture
of Mr. N. de Berg on Saturday the 6th
inst.

THE s.s. "Katong" will leave from
the Borneo Company's wharf at 4 p.m.
sharp, on Friday the 5th inst., and
should arrive in Singapore on Tuesday
about daylight.

THE Post and Telegraph Department
reports that Kedah line is in contact
with Bejruri line. Tavoy line is in
good order as far as Tavoy. Other
lines are in order.

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railway on the other side of the river
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years has now been completed and
trains are running on short circuits.
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the engines are being driven by kero-
sine. We understand the running of
this line has already effected the fares
of the passenger launches plying in
that district.

Departures.

The following are leaving by the
Katong to-morrow—
Governor Bantou Harrison, Mrs.
Harrison, Capt. Commiskey, Mr. and
Mrs. O. Schultz, Mr. Norman Wall,
Mr. S. E. Stones, Mr. G. Salvatore, Mr.
E. E. Robinson, Mr. Trusler, Mr. G. W.
Chandler, Mr. A. D. Peoples and Mr.
and Mrs. C. Ailing.

Allies and Greece.

London, April 17.—M. Skouloudis
in the Chamber wholly repudiated the
statements wired to Sofia by the Bul-
garian Minister concerning Russian
sacks. The sacks were used by Greece.
There is some talk of the Minister's
recall.

The Russian Consul at Salonika claims
to possess documentary evidence that
the Greek Government sent the sacks
to Bulgaria.

The "Daily News" Athens' corres-
pondent states that since the 9th
February, when M. Skouloudis accused
the Allies of endeavouring to coerce
Greece into abandoning her neutrality,
things have gone from bad to worse.
The neglect to furnish a further loan
shows that Greece has passed out of
the Entente calculations in the Balkan
operations. The incident of the trans-
port of the Serbs across Greece brings
months of bickering to a climax. The
Touons say they would regard the
facilitating of such transport as an un-
friendly act. Without Greek co-opera-
tion it is difficult to obtain sufficient
rolling stock.

Patras: Later telegrams say that
Greece has decided not to resist, but
merely to lodge a protest.

Aviator's Ordeal.

How the Candidate's Nerves Are
Tested.

The nerves of the aviation aspirant
in France are put to an exhausting test
by an ingenious machine. The would
be pilot—says the Paris correspondent
of The Lancet—must begin by exerting
with both hands a rhythmic and con-
tinued effort, which is inscribed on the
tambour of an apparatus, and automati-
cally added up in kilos by a meter.
He is then placed in front of a needle
moved by clockwork one complete
turn in a second. Immediately the
subject is aware of any deflection of
the needle he must arrest it by pressing
on a lever.

Finally a tambour is applied to his
pulse in order to gauge his respiratory
and circulatory rhythm. He is then
submitted to a violent and unexpected
sensation—a magnesium flash, a de-
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Mercy for Justice.

A letter from the "Straits Budget" of 20th April under above headline has been sent to us for publication. We take extracts from same:—

The gracious action of the British Government in setting Christian de Wet and his followers at liberty again, has certainly over the whole world (except Germany) caused a feeling of great satisfaction.

Especially we Dutch appreciate this generosity very much, as de Wet is as we are, of Dutch descent.

I have repeatedly, where I could, tried to point out the danger which Holland runs from the side of Germany.

There are also people, unscrupulous merchants, who are pro-German because they are keeping up trade in contraband with Germany.

However, I am glad to say, the majority of the Dutch population is anti-German.

Even if the Government were pro-German it would never dare to side with the Germans as the population would not allow it. There was great enthusiasm in Amsterdam when the news of the great victory in France was known. This is a proof that the population of Holland is for the greater part pro-Allies. They who think that an alliance with Germany could bring them wealth and happiness would be soon disappointed when they would feel the heel of the German boot on their necks. The Dutch are free men and the Germans are slaves of the Prussian regime. No Dutchman could live under German law.

The Dutch Government is neutral I know, but while neutrality is good for a state, the population, when considering of thinking beings, must side with either party.

1916 will see the end of German tyranny. Then it will be the time for Holland as well as for all other neutral nations to thank the Allies that they have fought and sacrificed their blood not only for their own freedom but also for ours.

I am Dutch but not neutral. Just for the reason that I am Dutch I am pro-Allies. Everybody who is a good patriot must be anti-German.

I wish to express my views in this matter openly as perhaps by the action of some unscrupulous Dutchmen one would be inclined to think that the Dutch are pro-German.

The actions of a few people cannot be taken as coming from a whole population. I have discussed what I state above with many people of various standing and I can say with authority that the Dutch are in the majority pro-Allies, and we shall never consent in becoming German slaves.

This ought to be the opinion of all true Dutch patriots like myself, and anybody who thinks otherwise is a traitor to his own country.

(Sgd.) J. M. A. WYNAENDTS
VAN RENANDT.

London Divorce Sensation.

London, March 23.—A sensational case is being heard before Justice Sir Thos. Horridge in the Divorce Court. The King's Proctor is opposing the divorce of Mrs. Eva Black, an Australian, from Horace Black, a company director. Mrs. Black had previously married Mr. Frank Austin, but was divorced in 1905.

The King's Proctor alleges misconduct with W. P. Delaforce who is a mysterious Portuguese Jew, resembling Count Fesco in appearance.

He disappeared from England at the beginning of the war, and it is now proved that he was a spy.

For the defence it is pleaded that Mrs. Black believed Delaforce to be a member of the English secret service.

Delaforce sometimes left this containing plans and drawings, collected from other agents in Britain, in Mrs. Black's rooms for safety. She twice allowed Delaforce to sleep at her that because he was in trouble with his employers.

Delaforce was a close friend of her husband, who had visited Berlin with him. He tried to induce Mrs. Black to go to Emden to receive documents. She refused, but she went to Algiers to assist Delaforce's operations, receiving £20 per month, allegedly from the British secret service, until she was accused of being in touch with the Germans.

After obtaining a decree nisi against her husband she went to Australia, but returned when the King's Proctor intervened in the case. A detective forced his way into her bed-room when she was in her nightdress, and demanded to know Delaforce's whereabouts. She then found Delaforce was an enemy spy.

Her papers were seized and taken to Mootland Yard. A curious episode was the reading of what purported to be letters from Colonel Sanderson, Chief of the British Secret Service, promising to interview the King's Proctor and to remove the suspicions aroused by Mrs. Black's actions at Algiers.

Serbian Premier's View.

London, April 14.—M. Pashitch, interviewed by the "Daily Chronicle," dwelt on the importance of the Balkan fronts. While the fortified lines on the West and the Russian Fronts were immovable without heavy sacrifices, there were no considerable enemy fortifications in the Balkans. There was a wide area available for manœuvring, and the speedy construction of fortifications was impossible, owing to the absence of roads and railways. When the Anglo-French concentrated sufficient forces in Southern Macedonia, they could sweep away all the obstacles, and a Græco-Rumanian intervention would be the immediate result.

"I am sure you may count upon the powerful co-operation of the Græco-Rumanian armies and success will be certain and quick. Bulgaria will be subdued, and the road to Constantinople cut. Hungary will be invaded by Rumania, while Serbians, Greeks, French and British will sweep triumphantly across the Danube." He added that the Allies advancing via Austro-Hungary would find the population pro-entente or at least anti-German. The Dual Monarchy was likely to fall to pieces. Questioned concerning Macedonia, and the Slav district of Austria, he refused to define Serbian claims in either region. None the less, he remarked that while it was only right and just that the Serbs should be united to the Southern Slavs; the loss of Macedonia would mean the disintegration of the Serbian nation. "Macedonia is the bone of our bone; it is our country."

London, April 12.—At Amsterdam the Shipping Council's report state that two torpedoes struck the Palambang, and it is impossible for either to have been from the British destroyer. The first was possibly aimed at the destroyer, but the second was aimed at the Palambang. The destroyer was then too distant to have been the target.

The Fighting Fronts.

London, April 27.—Official: A supplementary report of the fighting at Katia on April 23 says that the Gloucester Hussars and the Warwick and Worcester Yeomanry, who were holding the position at Katia, were attacked by a greatly superior force of Turks and fell back fighting a rearguard action. The Worcesters made a most determined stand, but as their horses were killed they were unable to retire and a number of men were captured. According to prisoners, the enemy consisted of a thousand Germans and picked Turkish infantry mounted on camels. The Katia oasis is now clear of the enemy except for a force at Bel Abd. The Turks paid dearly for their raid, the losses at Deudair being particularly heavy.

Paris, April 26.—There is increasing minor activity on the whole western front, says the communiqué. In taking the small wood of Buttes we made prisoners and repulsed counter-attacks. There was intense bombardment of our position in Avocourt Wood on the front lines of hill 304, while there was a moderate cannonade east of the Meuse, and a heavy gun duel in Woëvre.

We defeated a German company do main in Lorraine with losses and dispersed German attempts in the Vosges. Prisoners admit very heavy German losses at Chapelle.

The communiqué relates an extraordinary exploit of a French gun aeroplane. At three in the morning, off Zebrugge, a Zeppelin fired on the aeroplane from a height of one thousand feet. The aeroplane immediately attacked the Zeppelin, firing nineteen incendiary shells. The Zeppelin appears to have been struck.

Another gun aeroplane attacked and hit a German destroyer off Ostend. A Frenchman felled a fokker near Luneville and captured the pilot.

London, April 27.—The British communiqué states that enemy aircraft were less active yesterday. A hostile aeroplane was brought down to-day in our lines, as the result of a fight in the air. The pilot and observer were killed.

A hostile airship, at 12.30 o'clock this morning, dropped bombs near the coast, behind our lines, but caused no damage.

We made two raids last night. South La Bassee Canal we captured three prisoners in hand to hand fighting.

A German aeroplane landed in the French lines in the region of the Oise; both airman were captured. An enemy aeroplane was shelled and fell in flames in Argonne.

French air squadrons were very active on Tuesday night in the regions of Verdun and Roye. They dropped a hundred and thirty-one bombs on enemy parks, bivouacs, railway stations and munition depots.

A German airship dropped a dozen bombs in the Etaples region, slightly wounding two British soldiers.

Descent By Parachute.

Paris, March 28.—The rope of a balloon held captive at a height of 11,500 feet on the French front broke yesterday. The occupant of the balloon used a parachute, which did not open until after the balloonist had dropped 150 ft. The balloonist then planned gently and alighted 500 yards outside the German trenches. From there he returned on foot to the French line.

The Man Who is Bombarding Verdun.

A neutral correspondent in the Pall Mall Gazette writes:—

With the single exception of Hindenburg there is no more popular figure in Germany to-day than that of General Hans von Beseler—"Unter Hana," as he is familiarly called by the German rank and file—who combines the functions of Inspector-General of the Prussian Empire-rug and Pioneer Corps and fortresses with those of Inspector-General of the Prussian foot or garrison artillery.

It was von Beseler in person who directed the German big gun and mining operations before Namur, Maastricht, Antwerp, and Novo-Georgievsk. It is von Beseler once again who is in charge of the 164-in. Krupp howitzers and 12-in. Skoda mortars, whose fire is being concentrated on the "forts" of Verdun.

Of both the ability and tenacity of purpose of von Beseler there can be no doubt; even though he be a typical product of extreme specialisation in just two sub-sections of modern war industry he is a man of great and original ideas.

Beseler would certainly not flinch from the slaughter involved in repeated frontal assaults on entrenched positions. Still it may be doubted whether so scientific a mind as von Beseler's would approve unreservedly of the mad-bull tactics pursued by some of the Kaiser's infantry generals.

For instance, von Beseler favours night attacks as being distinctly more economical in life than attack by daylight, arguing that the darkness is bound to hamper the fire of the defender's batteries.

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One of these specialist battalions has, I understand, been captured wholesale by the French, in the course of last week's battle.

Jews and Military Service.

At the City of London Local Tribunal Major L. de Rothschild (military representative) announced that, in view of the exemptions claimed by Jews of the name of Cohen in many parts of the country on the ground that it was not lawful to be near a dead body, he had written to the Chief Rabbi for his decision. The Chief Rabbi, through his secretary, had replied as follows: "With regard to the answer to be given to recruiting officers who receive refusals to serve from men who state that they are 'Cohanim,' the Chief Rabbi wishes me to say that when the safety of the country is at stake no exemption from military service can be justly claimed by any person on the ground that he is a 'Cohen.'"

A case of the kind referred to by the Chief Rabbi was dealt with by the Hackney Tribunal. A man named Cohen, who said he was a teacher of Hebrew, told the tribunal that as he was a Cohen, or hereditary priest, he was forbidden by his religion to touch dead bodies or be near them, and therefore he could not fight. When a member of his family died a few months ago, everyone in the house lived elsewhere until after the funeral.

In answer to question, he said Jews ought to fight for England in return for the freedom and protection they had received, but not Cohanim.

A Member of the Tribunal: We have the Military Service Act here, and it does not say anything about Cohens.

The application was refused. The Chief Rabbi's pronouncement that Cohanim are not, as much, exempt from military service directs attention to the position which they occupy in the Jewish communities throughout the world. They are those Jews who claim descent from Aaron, the High Priest.

According to Jewish law they are subject to various restrictions which do not apply to the general community, among them being that they must not approach a dead body, marry a proselyte or a divorced woman. Though certain religious honours are accorded them by virtue of their descent, they are not regarded as priests in the sense understood by the Military Service Act.

They are in fact, not welcomed as ministers in small congregations for reason of the very restrictions referred to. A notable exception to this rule, however, was furnished by the late Chief Rabbi, Dr. Adler, who was himself a Cohen.

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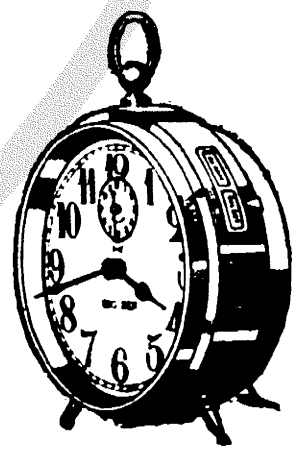
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Portuguese India and the War.

Popular Demonstration.

Bombay, April 5.—Manifestations of war enthusiasm, accompanied with popular demonstrations in the streets, continue, writes a "Times of India" correspondent in Portuguese India. The Municipal Chambers of Damão, Diu and other districts have held special sessions expressing their loyalty and wholehearted devotion to the cause, on behalf of which Portugal has joined the Allies. H. E. the Governor General received letters and telegrams from different parts of Portuguese India, from State officials and others, offering their services for the war. Some of them have asked that they may be included in the very first Portuguese contingent that may be despatched to Africa or to Europe.

The Italians, P. Giacomo Sollocose and Guido Fritze, who formed part of the crew of the Austrian steamer "Vorwarts" now interned at Marmagosa and who were removed to the gunboat "Sado," have offered their services to fight for the Allied nations.

A telegram from the Lisbon Government to the Governor-General directs that all military officers, who were promoted to captains by the Decree of the 29th January, 1916, should proceed immediately to Mozambique, the territory bordering on German East Africa.

Vaux.

Mr. Hilaire Belloc, in "Land Water" of March 16 gives some details about the Vaux positions, north-east of Verdun, positions which, with Donauwarte, near where they are, the Germans have repeatedly thrown themselves with, practically no success. The well-known writer says:

The village of Vaux (as we should say in English "Dale") before it was ruined in this battle, lay on either side of one street in the depth of a ravine which has to the north the plateau of Donauwarte and to the south of it a plateau bearing the abandoned fort called after the village itself, the Fort of Vaux. The edge of the northern plateau, that of Donauwarte, is rather the higher, standing some 300 feet above the village. The southern one is about 20 feet lower. Both are crowned at the summit with woods. That on the north, the Wood of Hardamont; that on the south, the Wood of Chenois. Just north of the village of Vaux, upon the slopes of the escarpment, are a couple of redoubts, abandoned when the per-

manent defence of Verdun was given up for a field defence in 1914, but still affording shelter for defence.

The works of Hardamont have nothing to do with the Fort of Vaux, which was, when armed, a closed fort on the edge of the escarpment to the south of the village and formed an outwork of the Verdun ring.

Vaux is one longstraggling street, the church on the north of the road right at the eastern end. Somewhere about noon, on March 10th so far as I can make out from French accounts, the ruins of the church itself were entered by the enemy, and this seems to have marked the limit of their effort. All attempts of the German bodies to move by rushes beyond this central part of the street failed.

But, meanwhile, and throughout a great part of the same day, a very formidable attack was being delivered just to the south of the village up the exceedingly steep grassy slope which takes you from the clay of the Woivre up to the plateau on which stands the old fort of Vaux.

The hill is comparable in height and general outline to Boxhill in Surrey. It is similarly crowned with wood, the old fort standing upon its edge, and the escarpment plunging down on to the wald. The German attack succeeded in progressing some way up this slope, but it did not reach the wire entanglement in front of the fort (the expression "fort" means of course the dismantled works of the old fort of Vaux, the guns from which have been taken away long ago.) The next day, Sunday, the German infantry failed to move. Only the guns were at work.

During all these efforts to seize the two edges of the ravine of Vaux, and to get a footing upon the heights of the Meuse, which form the plateau above the escarpment, other minor work was being done by the enemy 7 or 8 miles off to the south, and at points nearer to Vaux as well. He carried Fresnoes in the Plain, and tried hard to push beyond Manheulles in the Plain, attacking also at Eix, and a few other points. But these efforts, undertaken so far with comparatively small forces, against the comparatively weak continuations of the French line, should not withdraw our attention from the main point of attack, which has all this week been the ravine of Vaux and the two heights commanding it to the north and the south.

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German News Service.

Berlin, April 2.

Official. The Admiralty reports: During the night from April 1st to 2nd German naval airships made a renewed attack against the English east coast. Blast furnaces, large ironworks and industrial establishments on the southern banks of the Tees and the port establishments of Middlesbrough and Sunderland were shelled for an hour and a half with explosive and incendiary bombs. Big explosions, demolitions and fires made the successful effects of the attack clearly noticeable. In spite of lively firing by the enemy, neither losses nor damages were suffered.

April 3.

For the third time a German airship squadron attacked the English east coast during the night from April 2nd to 3rd. This time, the northern part of it was their aim. On Edinburgh and Leith, with their dock establishments on the Firth and on Newcastle and her import shipbuilding works, and as well as her furnaces and factories on the River Tyne, explosive and incendiary bombs were thrown with very good success. Numerous fires and violent explosions of an extensive character were observed. One battery near Newcastle was silenced. In spite of heavy shelling, all the airships returned and landed safely.

Vienna, April 2.

Official. Italian theatre: The situation is unchanged. This morning the enemy's aviators threw bombs on Adelsberg, killing two men and wounding several others.

April 3.

Russian theatre: The Russian artillery has displayed an increased activity on nearly the whole northeastern front.

Turkish headquarters, April 2.

On March 30th, two Turkish aeroplanes, under the command of Capt. Bodke, attacked the enemy's air squadron over Sedh-ul-Bahr. In the air combat, one of the enemy's flyers was precipitated into the sea. The remaining one fled in the direction of Imbros.

Berlin, April 3.

Dutsche Ueberseezeitung. The Koelnische Zeitung reports from a reliable source that, about the middle of February, a British armoured cruiser of the "county" class struck a mine and sank. It is supposed that the lost cruiser was the "Donegal."

Headquarters, April 2.

Official. Western theatre: Near Fay, south of the Somme, the enemy started an attack, after a short artillery preparation but its development was hindered by the German fire. The French bombarded Bethinville, east of Rheims and caused severe losses among their own country people, 3 women and 1 child were killed, while 5 men, 4 women and 1 child were seriously wounded.

The Germans in connection with the position gained on March 30 northeast of Hancourt, cleaned the French trenches on a length of about 1,000 metres. East of the Meuse, the Germans after a careful preparation on March 31, took possession of the enemy's defensive and flanking establishments northwest and west of the village of Vaux. This

morning, the French fire increased to the utmost in this section, after which the expected counter attack was made by them. It broke down, however, before the German machine gun fire and curtain fire of the artillery. Besides bloody losses, the French during the attack made on March 31, lost 11 officers and 720 unwounded prisoners. They further lost 5 machine guns.

The aviators have been active on both sides: numerous air engagements occurred, in which the Germans were successful. Four enemy aeroplanes were brought down beyond the German front. Further, a British biplane was shot down near Hollobecke, northwest of Wervicq, its aviators being made prisoners. First Lt. Berthold thus disabled his 4th enemy aeroplane. Another enemy aeroplane was hit by the German defensive cannon, southwest of Lens, it came down burning.

The town of Dombasle, in the Argonne, west of Verdun, where large numbers of troops are assembled and a field aerodrome east of Belfort were extensively bombarded.

April 3.

West of the Meuse, all the enemy's positions north of Forges Livulet, between Hancourt and Bethincourt, are firmly in German hands. The German troops are fighting for the possession of the French trenches and point d'appui south of the fortress of Douaumont.

Headquarters, April 2.

Russian theatre: The situation is generally unchanged. East of Baranovitch, nothing has been more active than before.

April 3.

No important events have occurred. German air squadrons threw bombs on the railway stations of Taborjelszy and Gorodeja, on the road to Minsk and further on the camp near Ostroky, south of Mir. A German airship bombarded the railway station at Minsk.

The Admiralty reports: During the night from April 2nd to 3rd German army and navy airships attacked the London Docks and other places of military importance on the British east coast. They further attacked Dunkirk.

During the night from March 31st to April 1st, a squadron of German airships attacked London and places on the British southeast coast. The city of London, between the London and Tower bridges, the London and the northwestern parts of London with troops camps and industrial establishments near Enfield and a factory of explosives near Axtham Abbey, north of London were extensively bombarded. Further a large number of explosive and incendiary bombs were dropped in Lowestoft, after a successful attack on a battery near Stowmarket. A battery near Cambridge was silenced and large factories there were attacked. Also the port establishments and fortifications on the Humber were bombed. All the attacks had good success, as proved by certain observations of numerous fires and demolitions. In spite of heavy enemy firing, all airships, with the exception of L 15 returned safely. L 15 according to her own report, was hit and went down on the water before the mouth of the Thames. Investigations made by German forces have been without result to the present.

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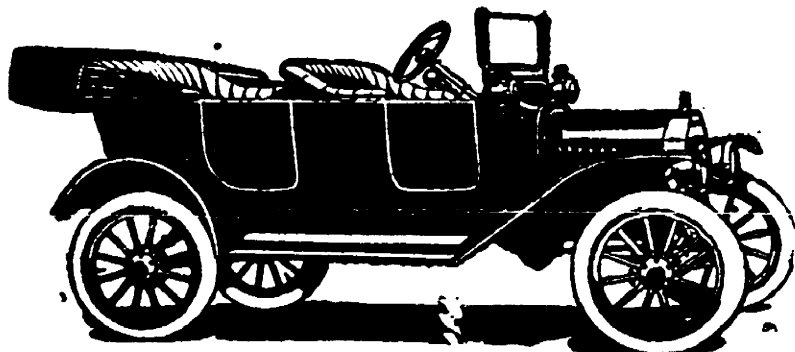
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King George and The Irish Guards.

The King and Queen on March 17, drove to the headquarters of the Irish Guards in London, and after the King, the Colonel-in-Chief of the Guards, had inspected the 2nd Battalion, the only battalion at present at a home station, sprigs of shamrock were presented to the officers and men by the Queen. Lord Kitchener received their Majesties, and with him were Lord French, Commander-in-Chief of the Home Forces, General Sir Francis Lloyd, commanding the Home District, and Mr. John Redmond, M.P.

After the King had inspected the men the Queen decorated him and Lord Kitchener with shamrock, and then offered a bunch to Mr. Redmond, who discarded the sprig he was wearing and replaced it with the one from the Queen. Then the officers were called up to receive boxes of shamrock from the Queen, and these they handed to the non-commissioned officers, who distributed the contents among the men.

An officer, two non-commissioned officers and two privates were then called forward to receive from the King decorations bestowed for gallant service in the field.

The King's Speech. When the presentations were over Lord Kitchener took his place in the centre of the parade, and the King addressed the battalion. He said:—

Field Marshal Lord Kitchener, officers, non-commissioned officers, and men of the Irish Guards,—On St. Patrick's Day, when Irishmen the world over unite to celebrate the memory of their patron saint, it gives me great pleasure to inspect the Reserve Battalion of my Irish Guards, and to testify my appreciation of the services rendered by the regiment in this war. The regiment was created by Queen Victoria in 1900, to commemorate the heroism of Irish regiments in the South African War. By the splendid achievements in your first campaign you have proved yourselves worthy of this proud tribute to Irish valour, and have fully maintained the high traditions of my Brigade of Guards.

I gratefully remember the heroic endurance of the 1st Battalion, in the arduous retreat from Mons—again at Ypres on that critical November 1, when, as Lord Cavan, your brigadier, wrote, those who were left showed the enemy that Irish Guards must be reckoned with, however hard hit. After 28 days of incessant fighting against heavy odds the battalion came out of the line less than a company strong, with only four officers—a glorious tribute to Irish loyalty and endurance.

The graves that mark the last resting-place of your gallant comrades will ever remain a monument of your resistance.

The Unquenchable Spirit of the Irish. In conferring the Victoria Cross on Lance Corporal, now Lieutenant Michael O'Leary the first Irish Guardsman to win this coveted distinction, I was proud to honour a deed that in its fearless contempt of death illustrated the spirit of my Irish Guards. At Loos the 2nd Battalion received its baptism of fire, and confirmed the high reputation already won by the 1st Battalion.

I deeply deplore the loss of so many officers and men, including, alas! three commanding officers. But the splendid appearance of the men on parade to-day, among whom I am glad to see many who have recovered from wounds and sickness, tells me that the spirit of the Irish is unquenchable. It has been a great pleasure to the Queen to hand you the shamrock, the annual gift of Queen Alexandra. It is the badge which unites all Irishmen, and you have shown that it stands for loyalty, courage, and endurance in adversity. May it carry you to victory. Be assured that in all trials to come my thoughts and prayers will be ever with you, and I wish you all good luck.

Lord Kitchener, in reply, said: The words which have been spoken by your Majesty to-day will not fade from our memories, and I trust and believe that the confidence expressed by your Majesty will be amply justified, and that the 3rd Battalion will be in the future, as the regiment has always been since its creation, ready to respond to every call of duty to its country and its King.

He ended by calling for "Three cheers for the King," "Three cheers for the Queen," and "Three cheers for Queen Alexandra, whose gracious gift we have received with so much pleasure to-day." The cheers were given with the greatest vigour.

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