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London, April 2.—Palestine Official: Our raiding operations against the Hedjaz railway were successfully accomplished on March 30, and we commenced our retirement towards Esalt. We effectively demolished several miles of railway and an important bridge. The enemy stubbornly resisted in prepared positions in and about Amman, whither the attack was not pressed. We easily repulsed a small Turkish attack on our rear guard. We took 700 prisoners and four guns between March 25 and April 1.

London, April 2.—The Gazette announces that the Victoria Cross has been awarded to Capt. McCudden for most conspicuous bravery, exceptional perseverance, keenness, and very high devotion to duty. McCudden up to now has accounted for fifty-four enemy aeroplanes, of which forty-two were definitely destroyed others being driven down out of control. McCudden twice totally destroyed four two-seater enemy aeroplanes on the same day and on the last occasion all four machines were destroyed within ninety minutes.

Tokio, April 3.—A train load of 4,500 Austro-German prisoners with twelve machine-guns has arrived at Irkutsk. Their destination is believed to be Vladivostok. They all wear Russian uniforms and new arms. There are now 6,000 war prisoners at Irkutsk, where the military organisation is purely Russian.

London, April 2.—Wireless Russian Official: Replying to Berlin, the Russian Government has promised to take the severest measures to prevent Red Guards from entering Finland.

Petrograd, April 2.—The Germans have opened a branch of the Deutsche Bank at Minsk. The German merchantmen have arrived at Odessa.

London, April 2.—The Press Bureau states that, replying to the President of Brazil's announcement of the early departure of warships for Europe, the King says that the navy is anticipating their co-operation with profound satisfaction, adding that Brazilian airmen are receiving an enthusiastic welcome to the Royal Air Force.

Zurich, April 2.—The Bulgarian Generalissimo Schekov, in a blistering interview with the Neue Tote Presse, said that the Bulgarian army was ready to give Greece a violent lesson.

Tokio, April 2.—The report that Baron Uchi has been appointed Foreign Minister is without foundation.

Paris, April 2.—The German long range bombardment restarted at 10.30 this morning.

Washington April 3.—A resolution has been introduced in the Senate proposing a declaration of war against Turkey and Bulgaria, and has been referred to the Foreign Relations Committee.

The Associated Press states that the American Consul in Sofia, writing on March 21, declares that no Bulgarian troops have been moved to the western front for the German offensive.

Capetown, April 2.—Mr. Lloyd George's message to South Africa has received a most cordial welcome. It is most timely because it comes upon the eve of a closely organised recruiting campaign opening to-morrow throughout South Africa from which great results are confidently anticipated.

Hongkong, April 2.—The Government has taken over five Dutch steamers of a tonnage of 28,151.

Petrograd, March 31.—The Council of Commissioners has demanded of Germany the release of the Soviet envoy Kameneff, who arrived at the Aaland, returning from England. It has demanded of Austria the release of Odessa of the commissaries whom the Austrian commandant at Odessa had arrested as hostages.

Germany has demanded that the Soviet shall send no more reinforcements or munitions to the Finnish Red Guards.

London, April 1.—Wireless German official: Germany has notified Russia that unless she is able to prevent the Red Guards from pouring into and overrunning Finland the German Government will be forced to take measures to secure the conditions provided for in the peace treaty.

Moscow, March 31.—After a brief naval artillery attack the Bolshevik bluejackets have recaptured Odessa.

Stockholm, March 31.—The White Guards have captured Tammerfors.

Moscow, March 31.—Korniloff has been defeated in the Northern Caucasus and has fled into the mountains.

Moscow, April.—It is officially stated that the Russo-Rumanian treaty regarding Bessarabia provides that Rumanian troops, except ten thousand guarding the railways, will evacuate Bessarabia within two months. Rumania will neither take nor assist in any offensive against the Soviets.

London, April 1.—Government has issued a statement received through the Dutch Legation in Berlin of eight Spanish and two other war prisoners at the seamen's prison camp at Brandenburg, confirming the recently published story of the awful death of six Russian, one French and one English seaman at that camp. The victims were shut up in a dungeon for alleged insubordination. A fire broke out and the sentry outside paid no heed to the prisoners' shouts to be let out. When the smoke was choking the inmates the Englishman broke a small window with the idea of freeing himself and his comrades and leant out, whereupon the sentry bayoneted him in the chest. A revolting struggle followed, the other

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DEPTH OF WATER ON THE BANGKOK BAR. FOR APRIL 1918.

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

P.M.

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

prisoners attempting to escape and being repeatedly bayoneted until they fell back into the flames and were incinerated.

London, March 31.—Montagu's silver market report says that following the rapid rise of price to forty-six pence China exchange has weakened and with less competition thence the price fell to forty five and five-eighths. In view of the Easter holidays the actual strength of the market is difficult to gauge, but pending any further news regarding the American Government scheme for easing the position the present level seems likely to be maintained.

London, March 31.—British Italian official.—The British at Montello have been relieved and transferred to a new sector on the Asiago Plateau. Three British aeroplanes on Saturday attacked nineteen enemies over an aerodrome eastward of the Piave, destroying six. The flying corps since its arrival has destroyed eighty-three and lost ten.

London, April 1.—The Press Bureau the Prince of Wales has been appointed Cadet Colonel in Chief of the Cadet Corps of the United Kingdom.

London, April 1.—Mesopotamia Official: We are now twenty-three miles beyond Ana. We captured a few more Gaggans; also two four-inch guns mounted on river boats.

Amsterdam, March 31.—A telegram from Ameland says: Thirty German warships including torpedo-boats and submarines were cruising on March 31 off the coast of Ameland.

Admiralty, April 1.—A submarine torpedoed and sank the armed boarding steamer Tithonus on March 28. An officer and three men were lost.

Athens, Mar. 31.—A court-martial has ordered the prosecution of ex-King Constantine.

London, Mar. 31.—The death is announced of General Sir Alfred Gaselee, the well-known Indian soldier.

London, March 30.—Palestine Official: Despite a stubborn opposition the operations east of the Jordan continued successfully. Our Colonial mounted troops destroyed several miles of track of the Hodejaz railway. We also attacked west of the Jordan, where the left centre of our line advanced to a maximum depth of two miles on an eight miles front. We occupied Deir Siman Khummel Ikha, Khummel Bureiti.

London, March 30.—A Mesopotamia communiqué says that pursuing the remnants of the Turkish force we ad-

vanced beyond Ana 83 miles north-west of Hitt. The captures prove of great importance, including large deposits of cotton, and opium, containing small river boats. The prisoners now total five thousand.

London, March 30.—The Admiralty reports that a British destroyer was mined and sank on March 27, forty-one being lost.

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BANGKOK-MEKLONG.					MEKLONG-BANGKOK.					
Distance from Bangkok.	STATIONS.				Train No.	Distance from Meklong.	STATIONS.			
							Train No.			
	I. III. V.						VI. VI.			
Km.	Bangkok	Dep.	A.M.	P.M.	P.M.	Km.	Meklong	Dep.	A.M.	P.M.
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BANGKOK-MEKLONG.				MEKLONG-BANGKOK.				
Distance from B. Hlame.	STATIONS.	Train No.		Distance from Mahachul.	STATIONS.	Train No.		
		I.	III.			II.	IV.	VI.
		A.M.	P.M.			A.M.	A.M.	P.M.
Km.	B. Hlame Terminus Dep.	10.30	2.30	Km.	Mahachul Terminus Dep.	6.45	10.45	2.45
33.8	Meklong Arr.	11.40	3.40	38.1	Bangkok Arr.	8.09	12.05	4.05

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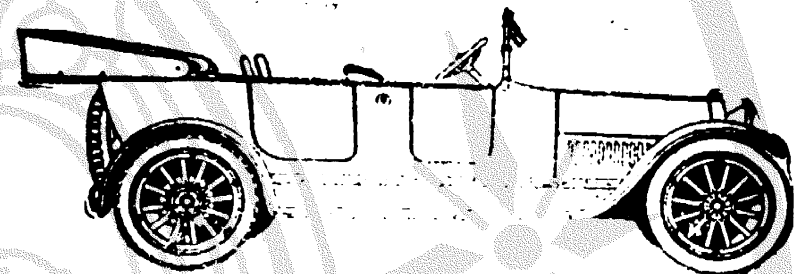
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Notice.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that all creditors and other persons having any claim or demands against the estate of Phya Arthakara Prasiddhi late of Bangkok deceased are hereby required to send particulars in writing of their claims or demands to us the undersigned the solicitors for the executors on or before the 25th day of April 1918 after which date the said executors will proceed to distribute the assets of the said deceased amongst the parties entitled thereto having regard only to the claims and demands of which they shall then have had notice and the said executors will not be liable for the assets of the said Phya Arthakara Prasiddhi deceased or any part thereof so distributed to any persons of whose claims or demands they shall not then have had notice.

Dated at Bangkok the 25th day of March, 1918.

TILLEKE & GIBBINS,
Solicitors for the Executors.
25, 2, 10, 17, 24 A.

Notice.

Consignees are hereby notified that Bances of cargo ex s.s. "Tencer", s.s. "Kaga Maru", s.s. "Atsuta Maru", s.s. "Hirano Maru" and s.s. "Gleniffer", have arrived per s.s. "Katong" on the 10th instant, and will be landed and stored at our wharf at risk, expense, and responsibility of Consignees.

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Liquidator's Notice.

Luang Rama Banjah, Liquidator of the business of A. Markwald & Co., Ltd., begs to notify that further tenders are invited for the purchase of the land and rice mill buildings and machinery known as Messrs. A. Markwald & Co's Rice Mill Property at Ban Ta Wai, including certain fire extinguishing appliances.

Inspection of the mill may be obtained on application at the office of the liquidator.

The title-deed, plans, lists and particulars of the buildings, machinery, &c., may be inspected at the office of the liquidator.

The insurance against fire subsisting on the property shall from the time of sale be for the benefit of the purchaser, subject to the consent of the fire insurance office, and subject to the purchaser paying a proportionate part of the premium for the unexpired term of the insurance.

Tenders for the purchase of the above-mentioned property should be addressed to the liquidator (in sealed envelope marked "Tender for the purchase of Messrs. Markwald's Rice Mill") c/o the Director General of Commerce and Statistics, Ministry of Finance, on the 10th or 11th April 1918, on the latter of which dates the tenders will be opened at 12 noon at the office of the said Director General of Commerce and Statistics. Each tender must be accompanied by a deposit of Tcs. 5,000, which will be returned to the tenderer if his tender is not accepted.

The liquidator disclaims liability for any inaccuracy in the title-deed, plans, lists and particulars, or any defect in the property, and does not undertake to accept the highest or any tender.

No tender of less than Tcs. 700,000 will be considered.

Notice of acceptance of any tender will be sent to the successful party. Payment of 25 per cent of the full amount set out in the tender must be made within three days, counting from the date of the receipt of such notice, and payment of any payment within 15 days. On default of any payment within due date, the deposit or the payment of 25 per cent will be forfeited and the property re-sold.

Fees for the formal transfer of the property, and taxes (if any) owing upon same must be borne by the purchaser.

LUANG RAMA BANJAH.

Liquidator.

The Registry of Partnerships and Companies, Ministry of Justice.
Bangkok, 28th March 1918.

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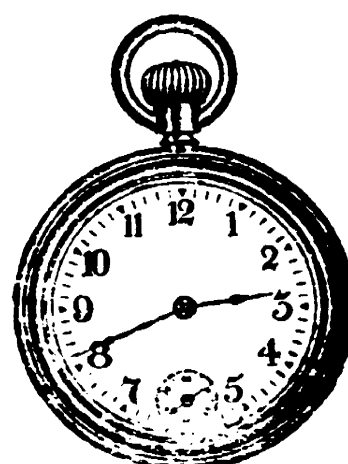
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The Siam Observer

WEDNESDAY, APRIL 10, 1918.

JAPAN, CHINA AND SIBERIA.

The latest North China papers mention that some anxiety is felt in Peking regarding new demands being made on China by Japan. According to the *China Press* the Japanese Minister, Baron Hayashi, had an audience with the Chinese President toward the end of last month during which he presented verbally twenty requirements as conditions precedent to the co-operation of Japanese and Chinese in Siberia and these requirements are said to be so framed that they cover virtually the demands in Group V of the famous Twenty-one Demands in 1915.

Group V of those demands provided chiefly that China buy fifty per cent. of its arms and munitions from Japan and that Japanese should acquire virtual control of Chinese arsenals: that Japanese advisers be engaged in political, financial and military affairs and that police departments in the principal cities of China be jointly administered by China and Japan. These demands caused such an outburst of indignation in China and in other countries that Japan was forced to relinquish them.

The Japanese Minister was absent from his post in Peking almost three months before he returned in the middle of March but he gave as excuse the fact that developments in Siberia had needed considerable discussing at which his presence was needed. The Germano-Bolshevik menace has opened up the important question of what part China is to play in warding off the threatened disturbance and the present seems an excellent opportunity for Japan to show that disinterestedness which she professes to feel by real co-operation with China.

A persistent report has it that a few days before Baron Hayashi returned to Peking a note was delivered to the Chinese Government by the Japanese Legation suggesting the establishment of a joint commission to take measures to combat the danger from the north. It is further reported that at the same time verbal intimation was given that China would be expected to place all her military forces at the disposal of Japan so that the latter could use them to the best advantage and it is apparently this verbal message rather than the note that is causing perturbation in Peking where there is considerable apprehension lest Japan is adopting a somewhat roundabout method of attaining the fulfilment of Group V, above mentioned.

Owing to the lack of trustworthy reports the whole situation is obscure but to-day's Reuter's wire makes it plain that the landing of Japanese forces at Vladivostok has roused great resentment throughout Russia and although the Allied reply to the Russian protest characterises the landing as due solely to local causes the Petrograd Government has declared a state of war to exist throughout all Siberia and interesting developments may be expected in the course of the next few days.

LOCAL AND GENERAL.

Mr. and Mrs. Osborn left by the *Chutata* to-day for the round trip.

Mr. and Mrs. Haffenden left yesterday for a short holiday at Koh Lak.

QUITS a number of Japanese commercial men are staying at the Oriental Hotel.

LONDON, April 2: The death has occurred of Charlie Mitchell, the famous expugiler.

THE Siamese s.s. *Krat* from Krat with 4 bags of mail on board passed Paknam this afternoon at 2 p.m.

MR. F. Campbell of Nestlé's arrived to-day to take over from Mr. E.L. Watson who is leaving for Europe to join up.

WE have received from the Phathanakorn Cinema Co. Ltd. some beautiful wall calendars for the year 1918.

THE American community has been notified that the American flag will be hoisted on the s.s. *Loan Samud* this afternoon at 5 p.m.

THE lotteries in connection with the races to-morrow at the Turf Club will take place at 9 p.m. to-night at the Club House.

THE death occurred on the 8th instant of H. E. Phya Raksha Sombatti, Chief Accountant of the Ministry of Foreign Affairs.

YESTERDAY afternoon the cremation of Khoo Ying (Cheua) Bidhaka (hubal) took place at Wat Sam Plern. There was a large attendance.

THE s.s. *Katong* will leave from the Borneo Company's wharf at 3 p.m. sharp, on Friday the 12th inst., and should arrive in Singapore on Tuesday morning.

THE Post and Telegraph Department reports that Paknampho line is still imperfectly working between Ayudhya and Bangkok. Other lines are all right.

THERE will be a meeting of the members of the Siam Football Association at 10 a.m. on April 24 at the Samagacharya Club when the office bearers for the present year will be elected.

THE following passengers arrived to-day per s.s. *Katong*:—Mr. F. Campbell, Mr. J. A. Russell, Mr. H. J. Wasselink, Captain and Mrs. Schlette, Mr. H. L. Thille, Captain de Rabin-Rabieka, and Mr. Low Boon Keng.

LATEST advt.—The Borneo Co. Ltd. have a new notice to consignees.

The Siam Auctioneering Co. can get you the best prices for any thing you have to sell at their sales every Saturday.

The mid-week programme of the Phathanakorn is advertised.

THE military correspondent of the Outlook, writing on Jan. 31, says that 1,800,000 army auxiliaries were employed by the French Government in new defensive works behind the front. These being held by relatively small garrisons were intended to release many troops for the general reserve—economy in man power.

EXPERIENCE has proved that the German savage cannot resist the temptation of aiming at wounded men and at those who tend them. The Germans have even killed their own wounded in order to indulge this lust of cruelty. Yet our pacifists continue to clamour that we should meet these people in friendly conference to make peace by agreement while their armies still dominate three quarters of Europe.—(Daily Graphic.)

THE American Consul-General, Singapore, advises that a supply of forms for the use of American citizens in making a return of their net incomes for the calendar year 1917, as required by law, has been received at the Consulate-General, and that copies of these return forms can be had upon application to the Consul-General. Every citizen of the United States whose net income, if married, equalled or exceeded \$2,000.00 (United States currency) or, if single, equalled or exceeded \$1,000.00 is required to make a return on the form provide for this purpose.

THE American Government appears to have done well with the commandeered German ships. In connection with the repairs of the *Lewisthan* it is stated that alterations made by American engineers resulted in the increase of several knots in her speed. She is capable of carrying 10,000 troops on a single voyage but 8,000 was considered the utmost she could comfortably accommodate. In regard to the other ships, the greatest factor which operated for their quick return to service was the use of new methods of welding by the engineers who had been assigned to repair the damage done to the engines by the German crews. These methods permitted the repair of the damaged engines without the necessity of removing from the ships the heavy parts.

French Red Cross.

The Results of the Two Recent Fêtes.

The results of the two fêtes recently held in aid of the French Red Cross Fund are now known and are very satisfactory.

The evening of the 2nd inst. produced nett to the Funds the following amounts:

Sale of Lottery Tickets	Tos. 30,000
Auction	" 15,250
Donations	" 3,030
Theatre and Programme	" 2,770
Supper	" 1,500
Total	Tos. 42,550

The Sports Meeting at Villa Montfort realized a nett profit of Ticals 1,765.—which amount has been equally divided between the Siamese and French Red Cross Societies.

The French Committee for War Charities desires to convey their thanks to the following persons or firms who have helped to make these fêtes a success.

H. E. Sir Herbert Dering, H. S. H. Mon Chao Sithiporn, H. E. Phya Bualai, Miss Van Varasiri, Miss Fawcett, Mrs. Biagard-Thompson, Miss B. Rosenberg, Messrs. W.G. Johnson, R.D. Crake, D. Robertson, P. Nesbitt O. Gronemann, A. R. S. J. Forrest, A. Lewis, N. Ramsay, Phya Ovat, Phya Pricha, Luang Pramual, G. A. Casace, Com. Thompson, F. Stanway, P. J. Johnson, D. L. Ferris, Messrs. Maire (Oriental Hotel), Mme. Staro (Trocadero Hotel), T. A. Black (British American Tobacco Co.), Erik Leth (East Asiatic Co.), W. L. Grut (S. E. C.), O. Kuntz, (Dietrich and Co.), Phya Prachindart (Nai Lert Excelsior Ice Manufacturing), J. M. Milne (L. T. Leonowens Ltd.), E. C. Neoh (Straits Jovial Minstrel), H. Fraser and Neave, Kiam Hoa Hong, Baan Soon Lee, Yong Lee Seng, Tang Who, Chop Yap Thian Seng Tong.

New Shipping Service.

The Nippon Yusen Kaisha has inaugurated a new service connecting Japan with the South Seas, India, and South Africa. From a Japanese exchange we learn that this steamship co. intends to place about ten vessels, each of 5,000 tons, on the new service.

These steamers will touch, on the outward trip at Hongkong, Java, Calcutta, Cape Town and New York, and on the homeward trip at Cape Town, Calcutta and Singapore.

Black Diamonds.

The price of Indian, Chinese and Japanese coal which fetched locally anything between Tos. 20 and 25 per ton before the War had risen, especially during the last year, by leaps and bounds till to-day the price of Chinese and Japanese coal runs at about Tos. 105 per ton.

We find from an Exchange that ninety-eight representatives of private railways in Japan had on March 2 presented a petition to their Minister of Agriculture and Commerce, asking the authorities to prohibit the exportation of coal, as a means of checking the increasing high price of coal in Japan.

Appeal to S. America.

London, March 30.—Lord Bryce in a message to the South American Republics emphasizing that this war is unlike any other, says it is a war of principal for liberty to save mankind from enslavement by a power declaring it means to dominate first Europe and then the western hemisphere. That is what has brought the United States into the war. A German victory would banish Republicanism from the world and men in South America will surely give sympathy to those in Europe who are fighting the battles of democracy and humanity.

Lord Northcliffe in a similar message says that Latin America is as vitally interested in the world war as is North America, because defeat of France and the British Empire would be followed by an attack upon South America as surely as night follows day.

The German monster has already cast greedy eyes on your southern republics. Already he has agents among you for action. We are gratified at your sympathy, knowing if need arise we shall see your sons standing in the trenches besides our children and those of the United States.

Paddy Crop Report April 9, 1918.

Nasuan 1,040 coyans at Tos. 95-128 each
Samruang 700 " " 94-100 "
Namuang 50 " " 91-93 "
Total 1,790 Coyans

The Royal Turf Club.

Second Race Meeting.

There was a very fair attendance at the Royal Turf Club yesterday afternoon. H.R.H. the Prince of Bhanulok was present and acted as Judge.

The following are the results of the racing:—

1. Siamese Suba. Griffins Race.
4 1/2 fur. Handicap. Value Tos. 250.
Phya Prasiddhi Subakara's
Plume (4.8) 1
Mr. V. Godde's Fai Fa Luang (5.10) 2
Phya Pradibaddha's The Worst (4.10) 3
Also ran Mu Deng (4.0), Pilen (5.5) and Sorry Lot (6.5).
Won by 1 length in 1 min. 11 4/5 sec. Tote paid Tos. 22. Betting 3 to 1. Plume led all the way, Fai Fa Luang trying all he could was unable to reach the leader.

2. Siamese Ponies Open Race.
5 fur. Handicap. Value Tos. 250.
Khana Sang Vad's Vongin (7.4) 1
Phya Prasiddhi Subakara's
Mabalek (7.8) 2
Mr. Rowland Hill's Diwak Rak (7.12) 3
Also ran Traiyaroon (7.12), Dao Luang (6.0), Pootalay (6.6), Hong Ron (5.5), Gambler (8.1), Thai Bot (6.4), Intawong (7.9), Nakavarik (5.12), and Sam (7.0).
Won by 5 lengths in 1 min. 24 sec. Tote paid Tos. 39. Betting 5 to 1. At the bend Mabalek looked like coming on strong, but Vongin with weight in his favour wore him down and won comfortably. There was a 1/2 length between the 2nd and 3rd.

3. R.B.S.C. Aust. Ex-Griffins Race.
7 fur. Handicap. Value Tos. 250.
Phya Pradibaddha's Son
Howr (8.6) 1
Mr. Don's Sandfly (5.12) 2
Madame de Bhanulok's
Silver Cross (8.0) 3
Also ran Lily E. (7.0), Aminta (5.12), Bhiswong (9.1) and Boonrang (9.3).
Won by 4 lengths in 1 min. 19 sec. Tote paid Tos. 12. Betting 6 to 4. Sandfly entered the straight leading and it was only near the stand that Sunflower by a bit of fine riding on the part of his jockey overtook him and won by a 1/2 length. There was the same distance between the 2nd and 3rd.

4. R.B.S.C. Aust. Griffins Race.
6 fur. Handicap. Value Tos. 250.
Khana Bangane's Ton Ton (4.0) 1
Mr. Wintoi's Game Chick (4.0) 2
Also ran Di Chan (8.0).
Won by 10 lengths in 1 min. 27 3/5 sec. Tote paid Tos. 11. Betting 3 to 4. This race was run in Indian file with streets between each horse.

5. Open Australian Race.
6 fur. Handicap. Value Tos. 250.
D. G. L. Kongel's Moment (7.10) 1
His Majesty's Gladys C. (9.12) 2
Phya Gadadhara's Chaiya (7.5) 3
Also ran Bandon (8.0).
Won by 4 lengths in 1 min. 23 4/5 sec. Tote paid Tos. 16. Betting 14 to 1. Moment kept up her lead at the light weight to win ultimately by 4 lengths. In a great struggle for place the remaining three horses finished together in a dead heat.

6. Siamese Suba. Griffins Race.
6 fur. Handicap. Value Tos. 250.
Khana Chantaburi's Dhow
Harg (6.7) 1
Mr. Don's Sawng Sahai (4.0) 2
Also ran White Star (7.10).
Won by 3 lengths in 1 min. 47 4/5 sec. Tote paid Tos. 7. Betting 3 to 1. Dhow Harg keeping heavily all the way, forged ahead in the straight and won easily.

7. Siamese Ponies Open Race.
R. C. Handicap. Value Tos. 250.
Nai Ya's Bith (6.8) 1
Also ran Un Chan (7.0).
Won by 5 lengths in 2 min. 21 sec. Tote paid Tos. 9. Betting 3 to 4. Both commenced to race only from the half mile post. Un Chan swerved slightly in taking the bend.

To-morrow's Handicaps.

The following are the handicaps for to-morrow:—

1st Race	2nd Race
5 furlongs H'dcp.	5 furs. H'dcp.
Iksavaku 7.3	Traiyaaron 7.12
The Worst 5.4	Unchan 7.8
Fai Fa Luang 5.10	Mabalek 6.12
Sawng Sahi 4.0	Pootalay 6.0
Mu Deng 4.0	Vongin 7.12
Don't Stop 6.9	Thai Bot 6.0
Sorry Lot 4.5	Dawkrak 8.1
White Star 7.0	Gambler 7.12
Plean 4.0	
Dhow Harg 8.0	

3rd Race
R. C. H'dcp.

Lily E. 6.9	Bhisavai 10.0
Aminta 8.8	Pan Farang 4.0
Silver Cross 8.0	Di Chan 7.10
Bhiswong 9.3	Ton Ton 5.7
Sunflower 8.12	If the top weight
Sandfly 5.12	does not accept
	weights raised 21 lbs.

4th Race
R. C. H'dcp.

Lily E. 6.9	Bhisavai 10.0
Aminta 8.8	Pan Farang 4.0
Silver Cross 8.0	Di Chan 7.10
Bhiswong 9.3	Ton Ton 5.7
Sunflower 8.12	If the top weight
Sandfly 5.12	does not accept
	weights raised 21 lbs.

5th Race
R. C. H'dcp.

Gladys C. 9.0	Iksavaku 7.3
Pop Gun 7.12	White Star 6.13
Peg 6.12	The Worst 5.6
Bandon 4.7	Don't Stop 6.6

6th Race
R. C. H'dcp.

Unchan 7.3	
Traiyaaron 7.12	
Mabalek 6.11	
Dao Luang 8.0	
Honz Ron 8.7	
Gambler 7.12	
Bith 6.9	
Boonrak 5.12	
Thabarna 7.12	
Dhow Harg 6.6	

THE Great War.

The Great Battle.

(HAYAS TELEGRAM.)

Paris, April 8.

The night was marked by violent artillery actions especially on the left bank of the Oise. We reconnoitred actively and took prisoners.

The English progressed slightly on the south bank of the Somme.

The activity of the enemy's artillery increased during the night on the whole battle-front.

(REUTER'S TELEGRAM.)

London, April 9.

Field Marshal Haig reports:—We advanced our line slightly in the night-time on the south bank of the Somme eastward of (?) and took a few prisoners northward of the Somme near Neuville-Vitasse.

Hostile artillery increased in the night-time along the whole battle-front. There was heavy gas-shelling between Lens and the La Bassée Canal and also eastward of Armentières.

The Big Gun Bursts.

(HAYAS TELEGRAM.)

Paris, April 8.

It is officially confirmed that the cannon bombardment Paris burst on March 25: killing nine men and an officer.

(REUTER'S TELEGRAM.)

London, April 9.

Paris, Official. The bursting of one long-range gun bombarding Paris is confirmed from a sure source. It occurred on March 25th when one lieutenant and nine men were killed.

The long-range bombardment continued yesterday. There were no victims.

Russia and Japan.

(REUTER'S TELEGRAM.)

London, April 9.

Petrograd.—The government has proclaimed a state of war throughout Siberia and has ordered the Siberian soviet to organise detachments of Guards to resist the Japanese.

Moscow.—The Commissary of Foreign Affairs has formally protested to the Allied representatives regarding the landing at Vladivostok and has demanded the immediate withdrawal of forces.

The Allies, replying, characterise the landing as a purely local affair due to local complications and state that affairs will soon be settled.

Bolo's Execution Postponed.

(HAYAS TELEGRAM.)

Paris, April 8.

President Poincaré has rejected Bolo's petition for pardon.

Bolo has announced that he wishes to make declarations to the justices. The deputy procurator states that these declarations would lead to interesting developments in the inquiries now proceeding and has addressed a report to the Government asking for a postponement of the sentence of execution. The postponement has been ordered.

Havas Wires from Singapore.

Expert Opinion.

Paris, April 7.

A representative of the Daily Mail has interviewed a high authority whose declarations on the military operations may be summarised as follows:—

—“General Foch is parrying the Germans with far smaller forces than they are employing, and is doing so simply because he does not choose to engage his main army just where the Kaiser would like him to. The important thing to remember is that Germany has nowhere broken the line. Ludendorff is being fenced with and hustled, not by our main forces, but by little more than the covering armies. Unbeaten armies are more than towns, and what has happened in this battle is not in the least represented by the newspaper maps. In a battle like this the bulletins showing the more or less important advances and retreats are simply geographical summaries which convey very little except to those who are directing the operations.”

“Perhaps when the Teutonic tortoise has put his head out far enough, the Allied sword will fall.”

“In M. Clemenceau, Paris has a price barometer. Every other day France's grand old man is off to the front, and when he returns one glance at his grizzled face tells all one wants to know. For some days the barometer has been at ‘set fair’.”

Dutch News.

Amsterdam, March 18.—In the Second Chamber, Mr. Treub in connection with food distribution declared that the financial situation in Holland is highly precarious so that Government is forced to consider the shrinking of mobilisation. He argued that the Pashuma system of distribution of foods under cost price be abandoned and a new system substituted, providing money for those people who have lost part of their revenue from war circumstances. The limit is rather high, those falling above having taken to dearer foods.

March 19.—The greater part of the papers are not fully pleased at the government's answer on the shipping proposals of the allies.

Treub's new system of food distribution contains a proposal for food supply at higher prices, but certain classes receiving tickets representing an amount of money exclusively exchangeable for food stuffs.

The war minister has prohibited the export of all fats from the port of Amsterdam.

Mr. Treub announced the raising to fifty per cent of the taxes on war profits.

March 20.—At the request of the Japan commission at the Hague the burgomaster has prohibited the performance of a comedy “Taiphon” insulting the Japanese.

March 20.—The Nieuwe Rotterdammer learns that Germany is consenting to Dutch ships sailing out to take food-stuffs on condition that a like amount of Dutch tonnage abroad voyages.

March 21.—The British government has paid £5,500 to the Dutch crew for having torpedoed the steamer “Amboin.”

March 20.—The papers and most commercial circles are pessimistic in connection with the seizure of our vessels. Although the papers acknowledge the need of tonnage to the Allied governments they are denying the right to simply take them. Moreover Dutch communication with her colonies after the war will be handicapped in case the allies are unable to return the ships.

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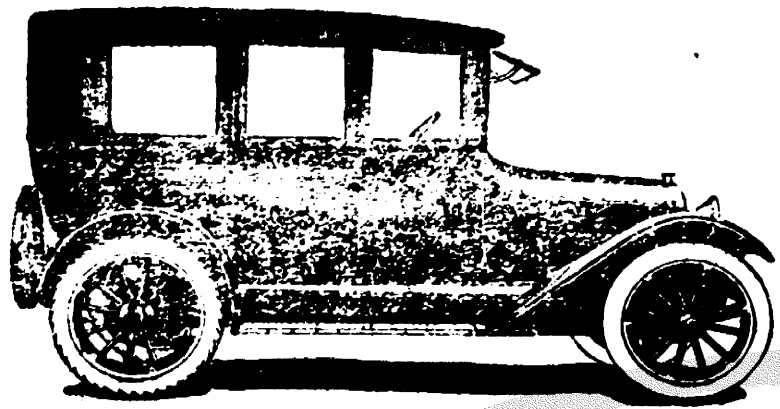
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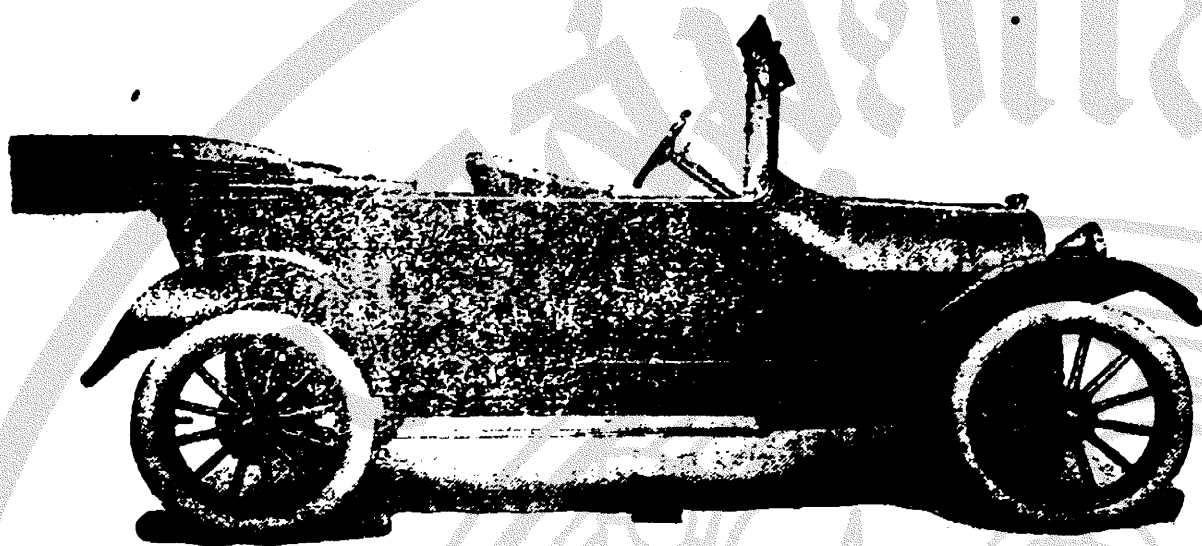
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London, March 31.—Reuter's special correspondent at the British front says that on the tenth day of the battle we can regard the situation with more confidence than a week ago. In the last few days the German progress on the front of the British Armies has been almost trifling, except for a determined attack having as its object the capturing of Arras and turning our flank in that direction. The Germans attempted no operations on a large scale and in the vast majority of minor encounters we had much the better of the exchanges, this being conspicuously true of the area from Arras to Albert and about the Ancre, where the Germans repeatedly made victorious drives to capture local strategic positions. How great their losses on the whole ten days have been it is impossible to compute. The Germans have now put into the crucible of battle over eighty divisions of infantry and all have been more or less unmercifully hammered.

Within the last few days comparatively few new German divisions have been thrust into the line, which probably means that the enemy is preparing a second great blow, which may fall at any time, with all the tremendous might that was behind the Germans' first blow. They failed. Nowhere did the Germans make that gap which was the whole end of their endeavour and to-day we stand unshaken across their path. Seven divisions of good troops tried to take Arras and failed. The decisive check to the German advance on Arras is important, for it further delays the enemy's plan of campaign.

British Cavalry in Action.

London, March 31.—Reuter's correspondent at Headquarters, wiring on the evening of March 31, says: The week end closed with a spell of comparative rest, although the Germans frequently attacked at various points between Arras and the Amiens St. Quentin road in fruitless efforts to proceed smoothly. The weather remains very unsettled after the rains, which have made the country-side heavy. The enemy launched weighty attacks yesterday morning at Aubercourt and Demuin respectively. North and south of the river Luce, under pressure of numbers, we fell back a little.

The previous evening the enemy had secured a large wood to the north east of Moreuil, but at dawn yesterday our cavalry were thrown into the wood before the Germans were consolidated, driving back the enemy into the open

with severe casualties. Our Cavalry's work in this open fighting is beyond praise. They are splendidly justifying the existence of this arm.

Between Warfuss and the Marcel-cave sector, where the conflict is incessant, the enemy intensely bombarded yesterday at noon after which, with considerable force, the infantry temporarily gained some ground, but by ten o'clock the line was wholly restored here. A few hours later, dense waves of the enemy re-attempted to advance between Warfuss and the Somme, but were held up and forced to retire, leaving the ground strewn with casualties, caused by our withering rifle and machine-gun fire.

After mid-day the Germans in considerable strength attacked between the Somme and the Ancre, covered by many low flying aeroplanes, which were promptly attacked by our own airmen out to spot. This attempt was completely repulsed. This morning the Germans attacked with determination near Arras and were repulsed after fierce fighting with some of our most famous troops.

Victory after Bitter Struggle.

Receiving reinforcements, the enemy attacked again, but was repulsed near Launoy farm. At two o'clock to day we assaulted the enemy positions and after a short obstinate struggle returned to our own lines, with over two hundred prisoners, and forty machine-guns. Over fifty dead were counted at one spot alone.

London, April 1.—Reuter's correspondent at Headquarters, wiring on April 1, says: Between the Somme and the Ancre all was comparatively quiet yesterday and last night. Southwards there was much desultory and often fierce open fighting. We found the enemy at Bouzincourt massed in great strength supported by machine-gun fire coming from Albert. Our counter-attacks north of the river Luce re-established the line between Aubercourt and Marcel-cave, although we did not quite reach Aubercourt which with Demuin the enemy still holds in force.

On the extreme south our line was pressed back on March 30, since when our new position has been apparently maintained. Masses of the enemy yesterday afternoon advanced from the direction of Vrely and Bouchoir. Although our artillery concentrated upon them they penetrated the wood north east of Moreuil. A few hours later big enemy formations west of Albert launched determined assaults but were repeatedly beaten back with heavy losses. Our armoured cars were magnificent in the recent fighting, their machine-gun fire adding heavily to the enormous casualty list which has not yet been presented to the German people. The more one hears regarding

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the onslaught at Arras the more one admires the great resistance made. The storm troops all carried six days' food rations and an extra pair of boots and they were evidently meant to stay.

Germany's Next Attempt.

London, April 1.—Reuter's correspondent at Headquarters says: On the right flank, the French being very heavily engaged, there is little likelihood that we shall be left in doubt where and when the next big attempt to break through will occur. Against ourselves the Germans have probably already thrown in ninety divisions and many fresh troops are now in the line. As time is operating against the enemy the Germans may be expected to strike as soon as possible. The first tremendous clash having failed in its purpose north of the Somme, the enemy is now confronted with the alternative of making another effort on this front or extending the battle further. The ground wherein the enemy thus far has met any appreciable success is restricted by the marshes and swamps of the Avre and Somme valleys.

Perhaps the enemy hopes by advancing further to depend upon the impression he can make upon the resistance of the Allies north and south. With each successive blow the enemy's power becomes weakened out of all proportion to the capacity of continued resistance, but perhaps it is chiefly on mere force and the weight of numbers that the enemy is staking a desperate gamble. One of the most encouraging symptoms is the extent to which our troops are now assuming the initiative. In addition to the successful affair on the Laigne farm, lying midway between Hebuterne and Auchonvillers, we attacked at three o'clock this morning near Fenchy coupe, east of Arras, and drove back the enemy a depth of two hundred yards on a front of fifteen hundred.

Enemy's Staggering Losses.

Near Bouzicourt, north of Albert, we attacked a strong advance post, improving our position here. Yesterday evening a very heavy concentration of the enemy was spotted in the centre of the battlefront north of the Somme, evidently preparing to attack. Our artillery and machine guns concentrated such a furious bombardment that the enemy masses disappeared. I continue to hear the same story of appalling slaughter on all hands. In yesterday's fighting between Morlane-court and the Somme the enemy losses were estimated at three thousand.

London, April 1.—Mr. Philip Gibbs says: It is now known that the German attempt to take Arras included a simultaneous effort to capture Vimy ridge. The severeness of their defeat may be judged from the fact that they employed nineteen divisions, backed by a bombardment equalling in intensity that of the opening day of the offensive. London troops swept the advancing waves to pieces until the massacre must have sickened the German command and led to a suspension of operations in order to collect wounded.

Knights of the Crusade.

London, April 2.—Mr. Philip Gibbs, in a new account of the German defeat near Arras, mentions the names of British regiments participating and adds lustre to the defenders' achievements.

The Queen's Westminsters fought their way from the outposts through the enemy. The London Rifle Brigade successfully held the main defensive line for over nine hours. The machine gunners said that they were sick of killing. The Essex regiment fought like demons in the foremost trenches. One body sent back a message that they were going to fight to the death. None returned.

The Buffaloes fought back to back with Germans on each side of them, while the Northumberlands fought until they were all killed or wounded. There was an eight hours battle round the battalion headquarters of the Scots Fusiliers, who gave ground very slowly under the pressure of enormous odds, killing the enemy all the way.

Method in their Madness.

London, Mar. 31.—Reuter's correspondent with the French army in France telegraphs that from statements of prisoners and military papers captured during the battle it is now possible to reconstruct the German plan of

attack. East of Saint Quentin it had been ordered that the mass of Germans should pass the line as soon as our second position was captured. Maps were issued to officers and under officers showing the mechanism of the attack and the progress of the creeping barrage. On the backs of the maps are reports prepared in advance, corresponding with anticipated stages of the attack, to be sent to the rear by messenger as each successive objective was reached, and drafts of requests for reinforcements, ammunition, etcetera, corresponding with the anticipated needs of each stage. The progress of the infantry was calculated at 200 metres per minute, which is twice the rate allowed in previous offensives. French mortar detachments, according to the prisoners, followed the first waves of infantry, halted and opened fire. As soon as open country was reached, the enemy advanced by means of heavy blows delivered in rapid succession, mowing troops and assaulting quickly in order to bring about a local retirement in our line.

The moment our men fell back the Germans would follow, thus threatening French units which had not retired, and would be then subjected to a fresh frontal attack. If prisoners' evidence is to be trusted, the troops who hesitated to follow up the retiring enemy line were to be driven into the breach with the lash.

London, Mar. 31.—Reuter's correspondent at French Headquarters says that the enemy is firmly held west of Montdidier, where broken ground facilitates defence. His nearest point to Amiens is thirteen miles. All accounts agree as to the severity of his losses, but it must be remembered that of 80 to 90 divisions thrown into the battle, probably only one-fifth have had to be withdrawn. He therefore has still huge numbers to throw into the attack and the battle promises to be of long duration.

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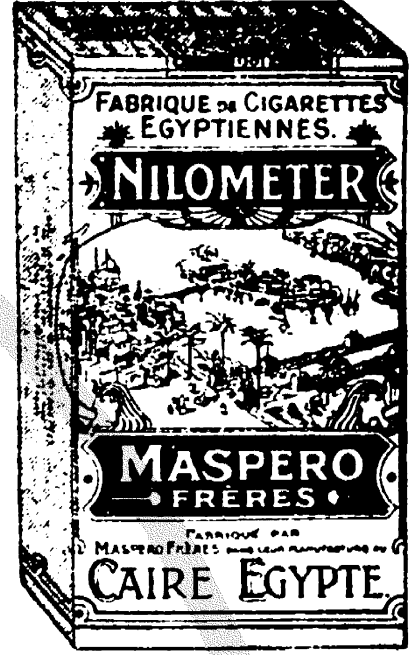
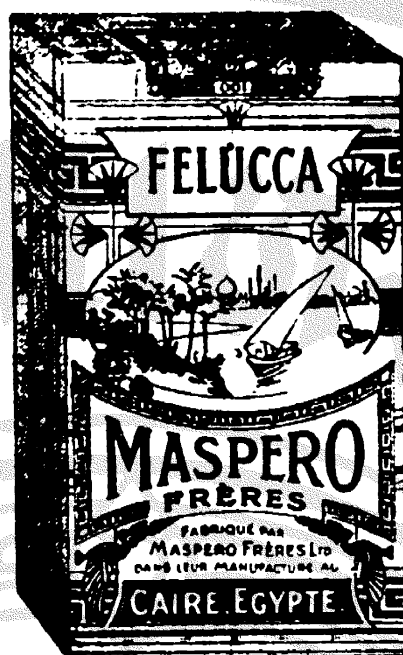
German cavalry has been reported repeatedly in the district of Ham, Neuves and Peronne, but never in numbers exceeding one regiment. Mounted troops seem to be employed chiefly for the conveyance of information and as supports to infantry in advanced posts. The German air service has taken little part in the battle. The enemy aeroplanes make very few long distance flights, by day and have done little more than make a few flights over the battlefield to report the progress of the attacks or execute bombing raids close to the front. The French air service is taking an important part in the work of harassing the enemy troops and dislocating communications. Reports as yet are incomplete, but it is known that in three days during the past week the French brought down between 20 and 30 German aeroplanes. On March 22 the French bombing squadrons dropped 19,000 kilograms of explosives on German depots and railway stations. On March 24th 14,000 kilograms of bombs were dropped and night raids continue. From March 23 the French squadrons have flown over the enemy positions by day at low altitudes, using bombs and machine guns against troops marching and in bivouac, and attacking troop trains with excellent results. Since March 22 our mastery in the air has been complete. Important roads from Chauny and Guiscard to Ham have been kept continuously under fire. On March 27 a big air attack was carried out against enemy troops behind the front, machine guns being using with striking success.

Harass of the Oise.

London, April 1.—Reuter's correspondent with French Headquarters, wiring on March 31, says: Yesterday the battle between the Oise and Avre redoubled in intensity. The Germans, following the habitual tactics of alternate blows, have transferred the weight of their attack from the Somme sector, which has been the scene of very heavy fighting since Thursday, to the line of the Avre where a furious battle is now raging. As a result of the day's fighting, involving apparently even heavier losses than yet suffered in any battle since the beginning of the offensive, the Germans fought their way down to the bank of the Avre at Moreuil.

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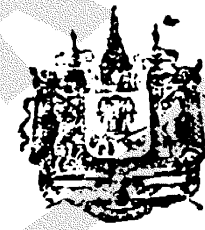
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course of the stream he has nothing to show for his losses. French machine-guns did terrible execution in today's fighting. Veterans are amazed at the numbers of enemy dead lying before the positions. The gallantry of the troops was officially recognized for the first time to-night—that of a certain corps consisting of dismounted cavalry and infantry divisions who were the first French troops thrown into the battle. It was they who in the following days manfully barred the Oise valley against the passage of the Germans, refusing to be relieved when relief was offered after a week of uninterrupted battle.

Weather and Warring.

On Friday night the weather broke and it rained continuously yesterday. The enemy's roads must be rutted deep and transformed into quagmires. The Germans are now bringing up heavy artillery which has not yet participated and the breaking weather must delay its appearance on the battlefield. The extraordinary feature of the battle is that it has so far been fought on the German side almost entirely by infantry.

So far the Germans have only been able to use field guns and light field howitzers and they have not kept their heavy guns in action but have used the retreating British methodically blew up roads and bridges. In the past few days the enemy has used light mortars but little probably due to the inability of his munition convoys who were unable to keep pace with the demand of the gunners owing to overcrowding of the roads.

Hitherto the enemy's quick advance has been due to his employment of masses of infantry and infantry arms but the costliness of this fighting without bringing out artillery is far too great for him to do so long. The enemy advance has slackened in the last few days and gains have only been made upon narrow fronts. In the meantime our artillery reinforcements are arriving. The opinion is growing that Ludendorff's plan of a swift and bloody passage through the junction of the Anglo-French will degenerate into a long battle on the fronts.

The Germans' Nastiest Knock.

London, April 1.—Reuter's correspondent at French headquarters, wiring to-day, says: The repulse of the German assault yesterday between Lassigny and Montdidier was the severest blow that the enemy has suffered since the beginning of the offensive. The attack was conducted in the familiar manner by dense aggregations of troops, marching up to the assault in battalions, which literally melted away under the fire of the French and Canadian soldiers, charging

together. There is no doubt that the enemy suffered terribly and he did not gain a single inch of ground.

North of Montdidier, the Germans hold Cantigny, two miles west of the Avre. The enemy claims to have retaken Mont Renaud, a steep hill overlooking Noyon.

Our artillery is beginning to arrive on the Somme, Avre, Lassigny, Montdidier line in great strength, opposing an effective barrier to the German mass attacks. Hitherto, both sides have been obliged to fight supported by field-guns. Only now have our six inch guns and heavies arrived and they are wreaking terrible havoc among the attacking columns.

The enemy is also hurrying up his heavies. In today's fighting on the Montdidier—Lassigny sector the German used six inch guns for the first time. Eye witnesses say that in the fighting on Friday in this sector our infantry fire caused terrible destruction among the Germans, who attacked, division after division, in dense waves for twenty-four hours. The fury of the fighting was indescribable. Aviators say that the fighting was like a stormy sea wherein the sweeping up waves of infuriated men were rolled back in disorder. Villages were conquered and reconquered again and again.

Triumph of the Khaki and Blue.

Batteries of seventy-five were brought into action a few minutes after detaching at the battlefield stations. Often columns advancing to the assault stopped and broke under our machine-gun and rifle fire. The fight for Moreuil lasted all day. The Canadians intermingled with their French comrades and fought like lions to keep the place which was twice captured by the Franco-Canadians and twice lost. Finally the khaki and blue triumphed, and the village at the nearest point which the enemy has reached to Amiens, which the German staff particularly covets, remains in our hands.

At Plesmes, a single French division charged furiously and broke the resistance of two German divisions, recapturing the whole of the important position with 700 prisoners. Our troops here and along the Oise are confident that they have the situation in hand.

As illustrating the severity of the German losses in the first three days of this battle, many German divisions were withdrawn on account of losses, including the 59th, 9th, 13th, 47th, and 5th Guards and Chasseur divisions.

Footling the Casualty Bill.

Several German divisions vainly asked to be relieved. The 88th division was practically annihilated, and the 208th division suffered badly. The 45th reserve division was relieved,

after the loss of half its effectives, on March 62, and was again engaged on the 27th. On the same day, the colonels of the 1st and 2nd Bavarian infantry telegraphed demanding to be relieved owing to losses from the British and French machine-guns. Some of their companies were reduced to 30 men. The colonels reminded the general that relief was promised as soon as Jussy was occupied, which is five miles from our original line.

They were told that they could not be relieved owing to want of men. A French officer wounded at Guiscard on March 25 said: "It was terrifying, tragic, awful. I saw the Germans coming on in columns of battalions, their officers riding, a thousand yards from our lines, and being mown down by our fire."

The Germans Tanks.

London, April 1.—Reuter's correspondent at French headquarters, wiring this evening, states: Although the soldiers believe that enemy tanks did not participate in the first German shock, it is certain that German tanks actually took part in the operations, and the failure to see them by our soldiers was because instead of accompanying the infantry waves the German tanks advanced later with special troops to destroy isolated points of resistance holding out after the German hordes had submerged our main defences.

It is possible that the Germans possess a very large number of tanks. We know beyond doubt that the enemy has tanks, which are of three classes. The first consists of re-paired captured tanks from the Cambrai battle and tanks manufactured according to the model of the British machine. The second type is a German model, smaller than the British but swifter, better armed and more heavily armoured, the third type are German land cruisers or large model tanks.

Followers of the Attack.

The small swift tanks are said to be 26 feet long, 10 feet wide and 11 feet high, weighing ten metric tons. The landcruisers are 45 feet long, 13 wide and 13 high. The speed of the German tanks varies between 15 and 30 miles an hour. Their armament is believed to consist of a shortened 77 millimetre gun, machine-guns and flame throwers. The latter is an innovation which must add considerably to the efficiency of the tank in clearing trenches, owing to the capacity of the tanks to carry big reservoirs of combustible liquid.

It is understood that the Germans have introduced a number of improvements, including heavier protection against shells and a device enabling the crew to close the tank hermetically

when traversing an area where there is gas. The German tanks are organised in squadrons commanded by majors. The officers are volunteers and the men chiefly specialists—motor mechanics, gunners or machine-gunners. In attacks the tanks are designed to advance behind the second or third wave of infantry, while detachments of infantry cover the flanks of the tanks.

Has Order of Battle.

A German order captured on the battlefield describes the order of battle of a German division in the present offensive. The division advances in two regimental groups, progressing side by side. The first line of each group consists of one regiment or three battalions of infantry, whose task is to advance straight upon their objective regardless of losses, leaving the work of reducing our centres of resistance to the specialist detachments following them. These consist of one company of stormtroopers, one anti-air half ma-

chine-gun companies, a half company of sappers, one detachment of liquid flame throwers, half of a heavy trench mortar company, one battery of light trench mortars, and two batteries of what are described as infantry guns. In reserve come a third infantry regiment and a division of five tanks of British origin, and an independent group consisting of two cyclist and one stormtrooper companies.

This division is supported by twelve batteries of field and six of heavy artillery, including a battery of eight-inch howitzers. According to prisoners, a number of enemy battalions have now got special light trench-mortar detachments, known as infantry artillery, equipped with two light trench-mortars of a new model mounted specially on high wheels, and supposed to be capable of firing twenty rounds a minute against tanks and other obstacles. The personnel of each detachment comprises two officers and forty men.

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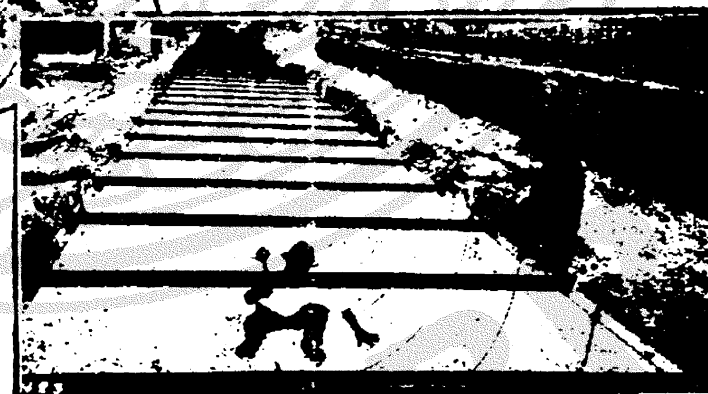
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