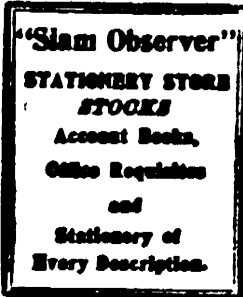


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DEPTH OF WATER ON THE
BANGKOK BAR.
FOR NOVEMBER 1917.

Nov.	A.M.			L. W.
	H. W.	Ft. & In.	(Approx.)	
1	6 00	14 4	...	...
2	7 00	14 5	1.0	6.0
3	7 00	14 10	1.0	6.0
4	8 00	14 8	1.2	6.0
5	9 00	14 7	2.3	6.7
6	10 00	14 5	2.3	6.7
7	10 00	14 1	3.4	6.7
8	11 00	14 0	4.0	7.0
9	...	...	5.0	7.0
10	...	...	5.0	7.0
11	...	...	5.0	7.8
12	2 00	11 8	7.9	7.8
13	3 00	12 2	9.10	7.8
14	4 00	13 6	9.10	7.8
15	4 30	14 4	10.12	7.8
16	6 00	15 0	...	...
17	7 00	15 6	1.0	7.0
18	7 30	15 7	1.0	7.0
19	8 30	15 4	1.2	6.7
20	9 00	15 4	2.3	6.7
21	10 00	14 9	3.4	6.7
22	...	...	4.5	6.7
23	...	...	4.5	6.7
24	...	...	5.6	6.7
25	1 00	11 0	7.8	7.8
26	2 00	12 3	...	...
27	3 00	12 11	...	...
28	4 00	13 8	...	...
29	5 00	14 7	...	...
30	6 00	15 2	...	...
31	...	...	...	...

Nov.	P.M.			L. W.
	H. W.	Ft. & In.	(Approx.)	
1	6 00	14 7	...	...
2	6 00	14 2	1.0	7.0
3	6 30	13 11	...	...
4	7 00	13 8	...	...
5	7 00	13 4	...	...
6	7 00	13 4	...	...
7	7 00	13 4	...	...
8	...	...	...	...
9	2 00	14 2	...	...
10	3 00	14 2	...	...
11	3 00	14 4	...	...
12	3 00	14 7	...	...
13	3 30	14 11	...	...
14	4 00	14 6	11.12	7.8
15	4 00	14 6	11.12	7.8
16	4 30	14 5	12.0	7.0
17	5 30	14 4	...	...
18	5 30	14 1	...	...
19	6 00	13 11	...	...
20	6 00	13 7	...	...
21	6 00	13 0	...	...
22	1 00	14 4	...	...
23	2 00	14 6	...	...
24	2 30	14 6	...	...
25	2 30	14 5	...	...
26	3 00	14 4	9.10	7.8
27	3 30	14 3	10.11	7.0
28	4 00	14 3	11.12	7.0
29	4 00	13 10	12.0	7.0
30	5 00	13 3	12.0	7.0
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PHASES OF THE MOON.

Nov. 6th (Last Quarter) 11 h 46 p.m.
15th New Moon 1 h 11 a.m.
22nd First Quarter 5 h 11 a.m.
29th Full Moon 1 h 53 a.m.

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General Wire News.

Madrid Nov. 1.—Sr. Maura has been asked to form a Cabinet.

London, Oct. 31.—Silver is at 45 1/2d. more is offering and buyers are satisfied so that the market is quieter.

Amsterdam, Nov. 1.—The Weser Zeitung states Count Hertling has reconsidered his decision and has now refused the Chancellorship owing to objections from the Left.

London, Nov. 1.—The Press Bureau states: The National Board of Seamen's Wages, as cabled on the 4th ult. has now been established. The Shipping Controller appoints the Chairman.

Washington, Nov. 1.—Two railway piers at Baltimore have been destroyed by fire the damage amounting to a million sterling. Incendiarism is suspected and one man has been arrested.

Washington, Nov. 1.—A Japanese finance commission has arrived at a Pacific port. The formation of a Japanese-American chamber of commerce is announced as one of the probable results of the mission. The Italian Ambassador conferred with Mr. Lansing. The situation in Italy was discussed.

London, Nov. 1.—The Post Office announces that the parcel mails dated Cyprus Oct. 3 and Malta Oct. 18 have been lost through enemy action.

London, Nov. 1.—The Admiralty states: Our air service on Monday night raided Sparappelhoek and Varsenaere aerodromes. Visibility was excellent and the shooting was accurate. All returned.

London, Nov. 1.—Wireless German Official: There have been successful engagements on the Tagliamento plain. The prisoners have increased to 120,000 and the guns captured to 1,000.

London, Nov. 1.—Field Marshal Haig says we took prisoner on Tuesday north of the Ypres Rulers railway 191, including three officers. Local fighting to-day in the neighbourhood of the Ypres-Staden railway slightly improved our line. The north Staffords this afternoon made a successful raid northeast of Loos. B-sides inflicting other losses they took prisoner forty. Our casualties were light. The artillery was active on the battle front and carried out a number of destructive bombardments on hostile positions and batteries.

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Durban, Oct. 31.—Four months abnormally wet weather culminated in a rainstorm in which 8 1/2 inches of rain fell in twenty-four hours. Very extensive damage is reported. The Umgeni river is flooded causing much damage in Durban notably in the Indian quarters. The flood was so sudden some Indians were drowned in their beds. Numbers took refuge on the house roofs. There were heartrending scenes as some fell off and were swept away exhausted. Indian fishermen heroically co-operated with the police in saving life nevertheless the loss of life was heavy as the thickly populated Springfields flats which were principally affected were totally submerged. Considerable damage was done to the railways and there were numerous washaways on the main line.

London, Oct. 31.—The sensational rise of three pence in silver yesterday to forty-six pence per ounce was owing to a scarcity of supplies, but there were few buying orders and the advance was quite disproportionate to the business transacted. Thus it is not expected the rise will proceed much further.

London, Oct. 31.—The Times understands a definite scheme has been prepared for the Government acquiring a substantial proportion of the Lufitan tea crop. Representative bodies will be asked to express their opinion on the matter in the near future.

London, Nov. 2.—The Brazilian Minister lecturing at King's College paid a tribute to the British in Brazil whose name he said was synonymous with reliability, sound workmanship, good faith and straightforwardness. Brazil has entered war at a somewhat critical moment, "I am confident Chile and the Argentine will join us."

Paris, Nov. 2.—The newspapers describe the wave of patriotism which is sweeping over Italy. Internal dissensions have disappeared as if by magic. Le Journal states the Germans have already lost the battle politically, while militarily they have only won the first stage.

Milan, Nov. 2.—The Socialist Municipal Council has issued a stirring appeal to the population to be calm and show the enemy he is mistaken in his calculations that he can disunite and discourage the people.

London, Nov. 2.—The capture of Beersheba is a severe loss to the Turks for whom it was the main base for attempts to invade Egypt through Sinai. Its capture ends the positions of stalemate on the front at Gaza and forestalls German designs on Palestine and Mesopotamia. Important developments are shortly probable.

Amsterdam, Nov. 2.—Admiral Capelle remains in office. The Vossische Zeitung says Hertling has accepted the demands of the Reichstag majority to carry out Prussian electoral reform and

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8-11-17.

8-10.



Notice.

Notice is hereby given that Monday the 12th inst., will be observed as a Holiday in the Customs Service.

By order of the Acting Director General.

Custom House.

7th November 1917.

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Harbour Notification

Owners and steersmen of steam and motor launches are hereby notified that owing to the inundated state of parts of the country consequent on the rising of the River, all launches have to be navigated at the slowest speed possible to prevent the wash caused by the propellers of such launches doing damage to houses along the river reaches, bunds and embankments, that may have been made to protect property.

By Order of H. E. The Minister

of Local Government.

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G. H. ARDRON,

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Acting Manager

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Notice.

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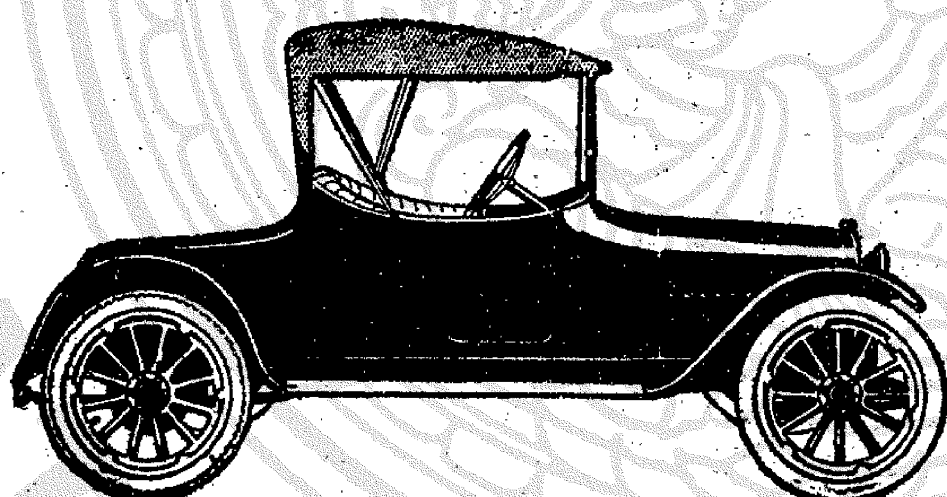
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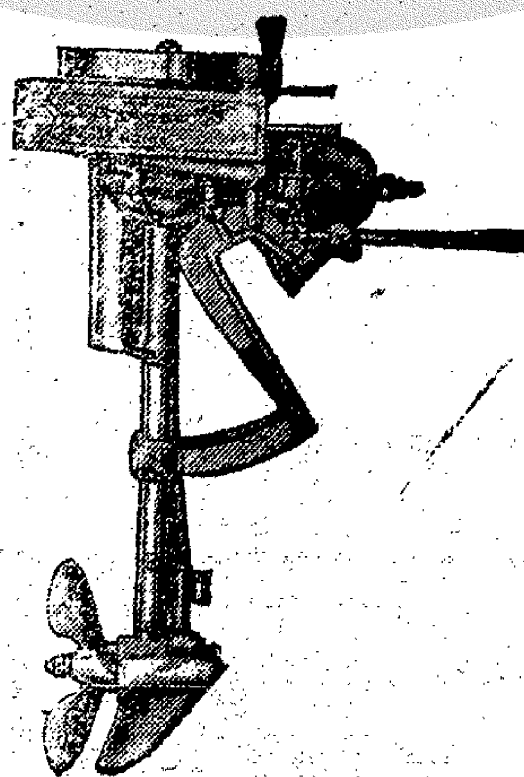
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THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 8, 1917.

THE TROUBLES IN CHINA.

The latest advices from China do not show any improvement in the political situation; on the contrary, the rivalry and bad feeling between the North and the South appear to be more bitter than ever. There is an almost comic opera effect in some of the incidents in the struggle. The Northern authorities have issued a warrant for the arrest of Sun Yat Sen and that worthy, in his office as Generalissimo of the Southern forces, has issued a warrant for the arrest of Tuan Chi-jui and his chief adherents. One reads much in the Chinese Press of the "four hundred million brethren" but, in point of fact, there is very little of the spirit of brotherhood to be found in the land. For this distrust, the language difficulty of China is responsible in no small degree; for when men do not plainly understand each other's speech distrust is almost sure to arise. This is, indeed, the root of the quarrels which often occur in households where the servants are natives of different districts. Previous to the Revolution of 1911 the late Monarchy was making a very determined effort to surmount this difficulty by having the Mandarin dialect taught in all schools and if this wise scheme had been consistently carried out it would, in a few years, have done much to unite the people. Meanwhile expeditionary forces from the North to the South and vice versa are the order of the day. An army of 50,000 men from the Yunnan province has entered the huge province of Szechuen in order to compel that province to adhere to the Southern cause. This step alone is not unlikely to cause trouble for from time immemorial there has been enmity between the Yunnanese and the Szechuanese and it is within the bounds of probability that, instead of uniting to proceed against the Northern forces, they will fly at each other's throats. Another expedition from Kwangtung to Hunan has just left Canton and the vernacular press of that city waxes eloquent on the millions of fire crackers exploded to give the soldiers an auspicious send-off. The Southern Government has organized a Bureau of War Expenses at Whampoa and this bureau is receiving considerable financial assistance from overseas Chinese. It is indeed safe to say that, without the monetary aid of Chinese abroad, the life of the Southern Government would be but a short one. All this civil strife is seriously crippling Chinese trade and those towns that are on the borderline between the North and South are naturally suffering most. Hence, the General Chamber of Commerce at Hankow has decided to petition the Peking as well as the Southern Government to have an armistice in Hunan and negotiate for peace terms as the fighting tends to cripple the business of Hankow. The great trunk railway-line which when completed, will link up Canton with Hankow and Peking is still unfinished between Changsha and Yochow in Hunan and the Peking government has ordered the engineers to hasten the work of construction so as to facilitate the transport of troops from the North to the Kwangtung border and it is estimated that this section will be ready for traffic in less than a month. Not only is there the great schism between the North and South but there are, in addition, numerous plots and counter-plots going on among the various political parties. Indeed so bewildering is the political situation that it is very difficult to get a clear grasp of it. One thing is certain; China is wasting her wealth and frittering away her strength when she might be playing an important part in the affairs of the world. The aid that China could render the Allies with whom she has thrown in her lot might be invaluable but she cannot do her part while her energies are being wasted in internecine strife.

LOCAL AND GENERAL

THE Post and Telegraph Department reports that Paknampo line is in good order as far as Lobburi. Other lines are all available.

THE Berlin Post has published a statement admitting that submarines have failed to reduce England's military efficiency.

CAPTAIN Flashman wishes to thank all those friends who sent messages of condolence and sympathy in his recent said bereavement.

H. E. Phya Barihar Rajamanob informs us that owing to the floods the Royal Pages College has been closed since yesterday. The date of re-opening will be notified later.

THE s.s. Kuala will leave from the Borneo Company's Wharf at 10 a.m. sharp, on Saturday the 10th inst. and should arrive in Singapore on Tuesday morning.

WE are asked to state that the collections at the morning and evening services on Sunday next the 11th inst. at S. Mary's Mission will be given to the British Flood Relief Fund.

A PEKING telegram to the Hongkong Chinese Mail states that a mandate will be issued shortly depriving the Ex-Emperor, Hsuen Tung, of his title and ordering the removal of his family from their present location, as a punishment for their compliance with the Restoration scheme of Chang Hsun. The amount of the yearly allowance will remain as before.

MESSRS. Hodder and Stoughton were to publish Ex-Ambassador Gerard's book, "My Four Years in Germany," early in October, in a handsome demy 8vo volume, price 7s 6d, the Kaiser's notorious letter to President Wilson being reproduced in it in facsimile. The enormous advance orders already received for this book have constituted something of a record in the publishing world.

IN all Burma has sent 503 officers and 11,805 men to serve in the field and a labour corps of 2,000 men has been sent to France. The people have contributed over £2,000,000, besides large sums remitted to home war loans and war appeals. The supply of wolfram has been increased, numbers of steamers, barges, and dredgers have been sent to Mesopotamia, and hundreds of miles of rails to East Africa and Mesopotamia.

GERMANY believes in looking ahead. The Imperial Clothing Office is already occupied with the problem of civilian clothes for the troops when they come home and has given an initial order for 500,000 suits. In order to distribute the profits and wages among the country's tailoring trade, the work will be carried out in a large number of districts. Old materials, especially cast-off garments which the State is buying up, will be utilised as much as possible.

IT is said that most of the German warships, such as mine layers etc., which have come lately into the possession of the Allies by capture, show every sign of hasty build and completion—being jerry built in every sense of the word. It is also well known that the hasty way in which the German submarines are built and as hurriedly manned by green crews and sent to the sea is responsible for many of them never returning, or setting up such grave defects that they become veritable sea coffins if not withdrawn.

A SAN FRANCISCO despatch received by the Japanese papers on Oct. 11 from the United Press reported that Justice Elias Finley Johnson, judge in the Supreme Court of the Philippines, had been murdered. No further details were given. Justice Johnson has many friends among Americans and other foreigners in the Far East. He was appointed to Manila in 1910. Previously to his appointment he had been a member of the Ohio State Legislature and a professor of law at the University of Michigan, of which he was a graduate. He was the author of several law books. Justice Johnson was born in Van Wert, Ohio, on June 14, 1861.

THE 53rd annual report of the Wellington Chamber of Commerce states that numbers of Japanese business men have visited the Dominion. The Japanese Government also sent out one of its Consular officials to report on trade matters. Japanese articles of all descriptions have been largely imported. Many New Zealand business-houses have sent buyers to Japan, and trade has assumed large proportions, while the Japanese shipping companies are assisting their merchants by extending shipping facilities to New Zealand. The Japanese merchant is keen in his anxiety to do business, and every mail brings trade inquiries. While many of the products are not of the standard of similar articles previously imported from the United Kingdom and the Continent, yet the impossibility of obtaining deliveries elsewhere has resulted in Japan getting the business.



Court Circular.

GRAND PALACE,
Wednesday, November 7.

This afternoon at Amarindra Hall His Majesty the King was pleased to receive reports from Members of the Royal Family and Officials concerning various monasteries at which they had been deputed to present the Kathin Gifts on behalf of His Majesty.

Later the King was pleased to receive in private audience on affairs of State Lieutenant-General His Royal Highness the Prince of Kambaeng Bejra, A.D.C., Commissioner General of State Railway.

The Training of Young Soldiers.

(BY 2ND LT. A.R.C. EATON.)

It is no light matter to be given twelve or thirteen hundred recruits with the responsibility of turning them in the space of a few months from boys to men. That is what the command of a training battalion for the A. class of youths of from 18 to 19 years of age really means, and it requires the fullest co-operation of a thoroughly efficient staff of officers and N.C.O's. with so short a period available for training, the programme of work must be very carefully thought out. In order to create a uniform system which would give the best possible results, the authorities, drew up a syllabus of training based on their large experience, which laid down in detail the subjects to be dealt with and the number of hours to be devoted to each subject every week.

The whole object of training is, of course, to fit man in the shortest possible time, for service overseas. But the first thing that has to be borne in mind in dealing with boys is that they are boys, and that it is very necessary to start them with short hours and easy training. It would be fatal either to break a boy's spirit or to overstrain his body, so at first his hours of duty are short and the amount of work he does during those hours is carefully regulated. From the first he is expected to put his back into what he is doing, but care is taken to avoid fatiguing him, and his periods of rest are very frequent. Gradually the hours are increased and the work becomes harder, but at its hardest it is probably easier than what the majority of boys were accustomed to before they joined up. In civil life a boy very rarely left off work before 5 o'clock, in many cases it was 6 or 7; now he is sitting down to his tea by 5 o'clock. In civil life most boys got their half day a week and the whole of Sunday to themselves; under the Army scheme of training not only do they get this—a short Church Parade on Sunday morning can hardly be considered to interfere with their day, and Sunday duties such as guards do not come very often—but they are also given a certain amount of time, usually half a day a week, which is included in the parade hours, for sport and exercise of all kinds—football, cricket, racing boxing &c. Taken altogether, the Army hours are for the average boy a great improvement on the hours he used to work in civilian life.

The first consideration is the boy's physical health. Besides, the boy is given a certain amount of physical training every day, as well as being instructed in the rudiments of personal cleanliness and hygiene, and he is obliged to carry out the elementary rules which he is taught.

Then, it is necessary that soldiers should instinctively, act and move together in an orderly manner. So the young recruit is taught his drill, beginning with the most elementary things, such as turning and keeping step, and gradually progressing to section, platoon and company drill. He is taught to use his rifle, as a weapon of fire and also for fighting at close quarters with the bayonet. He learns the mechanism and use of bombs and rifle grenades; elementary field engineering, trench digging, wiring, sandbagging etc.; he is taught how to move in the open in extended order so as to reduce casualties to a minimum; how to protect himself against gas, and last but not least he is trained to march long distances. In addition to all this, he has lectures and these and other subjects such as discipline, trench warfare, the history and traditions of the Army, esprit de corps; and should he be unduly backward in his ordinary education he is sent to school again for a certain portion of his time under an army schoolmaster, from whom he learns, spelling, composition, arithmetic and other things which will be of use to him not only in the army but in after life.

A training, one would venture to say, as complete, as interesting and as varied as he would receive in any army in the world.

The Prize Court.

We understand that the Claimants in the cases in connection with the enemy vessels have not paid into the Prize Court the fees and security for costs within the time allowed by the Court. They therefore have lost the right of taking the matter before the Dika Court, hence the judgments, of the Prize Court have now become final.

We also understand that on the application of the Attorney General the Court has given permission for the *Trautensfels* and the *Chiangmai* to proceed to Japan on the business of the Royal Navy.

British Flood Relief Fund.

His Britannic Majesty's Minister acknowledges with many thanks the receipt of the following amounts from:

S. R. Tiseman	100
R. Dudley Craig	50
G. H. Ardron	50
B. C. Neoh	10
T. Judge	100
Anon	100
John Sampson & Son	250
Anon	250
S. H. Hendrick	250
Siam Forest Company	1000
Anon. (with promise of similar sum monthly till closure of fund)	100
P. Petithuguenin	50
Norman Sutton	50
Henry Gittins	500
J. Michell	100
R. J. McCormack	50
Anon	50
K. S. Huat	20
S. Siong Pok	20
M. Savat	10
T. Watt Seng	10
S. Keng Yaw	10
Nang Phien	5
S. Siong Quee	5
Y. Soon Chee	5
F. A. Flesching	5
S. Kim Boon	5
Chan Kim Guan	5
F. Kim Swee	5
G. Swee Choo	5
Heng Siak Ning	5
Tan Kee Swee	5
Boey Fock Weng	5
Anon	100
T. H. Lyle	50
H. G. Dering	100
Total	Ticals 3,435

London Air-Raid.

London, Nov. 1.—Official: The total of casualties in all districts in yesterday night's air-raid was eight killed and twenty-one injured. The material damage was the slightest. No naval or military or munitions establishment was injured. All of our machine are safe.

London experienced a prolonged moonlight raid in the small hours. There was distant gunfire shortly after the warning, which quickly swelled to a vigorous cannonade lasting intermittently for some two hours. People sought shelter in an orderly manner. Up to the present no reports of damage or casualties. The sky was covered with low fleecy clouds.

Official:—Hostile aircraft determinedly and repeatedly attacked London yesterday night. The first group crossed the Kent Coast at 10.45 p.m. making for London. They did not penetrate far inland but turned eastward and dropped bombs at various places in the vicinity of the coast. Meanwhile two more groups were steering towards London along the south bank of the Thames. Low thin clouds rendered observation difficult, nevertheless the altitude of the raiders was calculated. They were broken up by our barrage on the south-eastern outskirts, where bombs were dropped.

A fourth group coming along the Thames estuary was turned back half-way to London. Meanwhile a fifth group crossed the Essex Coast at 12.15 in the morning and steered for London along the north bank of the Thames. The outer defences turned back some; one or more penetrated the southeast of London and dropped bombs. A sixth group followed the same course a quarter of an hour later, some penetrated south-east London and dropped bombs, one or more machines meanwhile bombing the south-western outskirts. Gun-fire dispersed a seventh group before reaching the outer defences. Individual raiders attacked the Kent coast between midnight and 1.30 in the morning. Each group consisted of 3 or 4 machines. The total of the raiders was about thirty. Only three penetrated the heart of London. Gun-fire harassed the raiders. Our aircraft also attacked. It is believed that the casualties and damage are light, considering the nature of the attack.

EARLY COLD.

Be careful of the colds you take at this time of the year. They are particularly dangerous. A neglected cold may mean a winter-long cold. Take Chamberlain's Cough Remedy at once. For sale by The British Dispensary.

Great War.

The Western Front.

(REUTER'S TELEGRAM.)

London, Nov. 7.

Field Marshal Haig reports:—We attacked at six this morning against positions in the neighbourhood of Passchendaele. Reports announce satisfactory progress.

The Lincolnshires yesterday evening raided in the neighbourhood of Healluch.

The Italian Front.

(REUTER'S TELEGRAM.)

London, Nov. 7.

Italian Official:—The enemy intensified his pressure in the direction of the upper Tagliamento against our left wing.

The enemy also pushed forward detachments towards the middle and lower course of the river.

We, in order to establish a new line were compelled to evacuate portions of territory in the mountainous area which the enemy occupied.

The Italian Situation.

(“S. O.” SPECIAL CORRESPONDENT.)

Singapore, Nov. 7.

The presence of British and French troops on the Italian front is considered exceptionally important achieving a unity of front in an unbroken line from the North Sea to the Adriatic.

The necessity of speaking plainly, indeed almost brutally, on the Italian situation is everywhere emphasised.

At Rome it is said the enemy's plans must fail but it is a dangerous illusion to think that they have already failed. Formidable battles must be fought on the Italian plains.

American Shipbuilding.

Washington, Nov. 1.—Mr. Hurley, chairman of the Shipping Board addressing a meeting of shipbuilders, Government officials and labour representatives convened to discuss the acceleration of shipbuilding said the American shipyards were able to complete a million tons by March 1. They meant to build six million deadweight tons in 1918. It was an abnormal task requiring every ounce of energy.

Norway Protests.

Christiania, Nov. 1.—The Government has strongly protested to Germany against the sinking of the convoy cable on Oct. 20. It reminds Germany of the former protests and says that the continued sinkings of neutral ships carrying no contraband, disregarding the fate of their crews, has created deep indignation among the Norwegian people.

Copenhagen, Nov. 1.—King Gustav will visit King Christian next week.

Soldiers' Leave.

London, Nov. 1.—In the House of Commons Mr. Macpherson stated in the debate on the vote of credit he was hopeful that by the end of November there would not be a soldier on the western front with more than twelve months service who had not had leave. It was practically impossible to give leave from Mesopotamia at present, although every effort had been made to meet urgent cases and a certain number had been given leave to India. As regards Egypt and Salonika the case was not so bad but it was bad enough owing to transport difficulties.

Germany's New Chancellor.

Amsterdam, Oct. 31.—The *Weser Zeitung* states that Count Hertling the Bavarian Premier has accepted the Chancellorship with certain reservations. The German newspapers state that the stained glass of Cologne cathedral is being replaced by ordinary glass as a precaution in air-raids.

London, Oct. 31.—A Berlin wire confirms that Dr. Michaelis has resigned the Chancellorship which has been offered to Count Hertling, the Bavarian Premier, who is considering the matter.

Amsterdam, Oct. 31.—The prospect of the chancellorship for the aged Bavarian Professor Hertling is unfavourably received by the German press and is regarded as an effort by the Kaiser to win over the powerful Centre party in the coming struggle with the Reichstag over the famous peace resolution, the adoption of which by Dr. Michaelis was responsible for the latter's downfall. The Socialist and Moderate Liberals attack Hertling as a reactionary and Krupp's Rhenish organ is displeased at the appointment of a non-Prussian.

Notice.

We beg to inform our customers that our Store will be closed on Monday the 12th inst. in honour of the Anniversary of H. M.'s Accession.

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SANUKS.

Owing to high tides which may be expected during the next few days and the probability that it will be difficult, if not impossible, to get to the Sports Club on 3rd November, the Sanuks have decided to postpone their performance until the following

Saturday, 10th November.

Those who do not wish to retain their seats are asked to communicate with the Secretary of the Sports Club.

Flood Relief Fund.

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5	5
50	10
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200	15

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If tickets to the value of Ticals 250,000 are sold, the prizes will be as follows:—

1st Prize	Ticals 75,000
2nd	25,000
3rd	12,500
5	2,500
50	500
100	250
200	187½

Prizes will be paid in **Share Certificates of the War Loans Investment Trust of Malaya**. These shares bear interest at 6 per cent., per annum. The Trust is guaranteed by the Federated Malay States Government.

Tickets may be obtained at the following Clubs:—Royal Bangkok Sports Club, The British Club, The United Club, and at the following Banks:—The Hongkong and Shanghai Banking Corporation, The Chartered Bank of India, Australia and China, The Banque de l'Indo-Chine, The Siam Commercial Bank, Ltd., The Mercantile Bank of India, Ltd. and also from members of the Lottery Sub-Committee.

Lottery will close on Saturday, 15th December, 1917, and will be drawn, by the kind permission of H. E. The British Minister, at the old Court House, British Legation, on Saturday, 29th December, 1917, at 4 o'clock in the afternoon.

The Patriotic League of Britons Overseas (Bangkok Branch).

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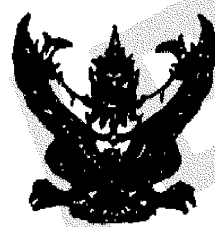
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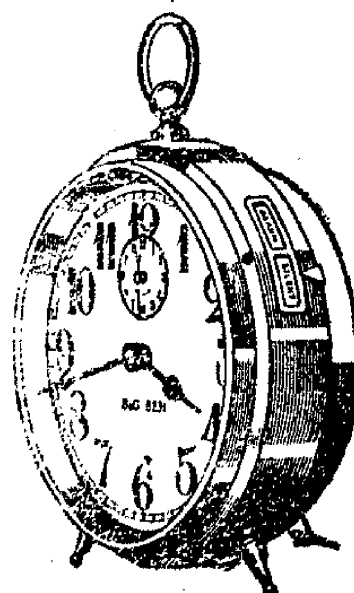
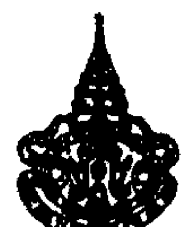
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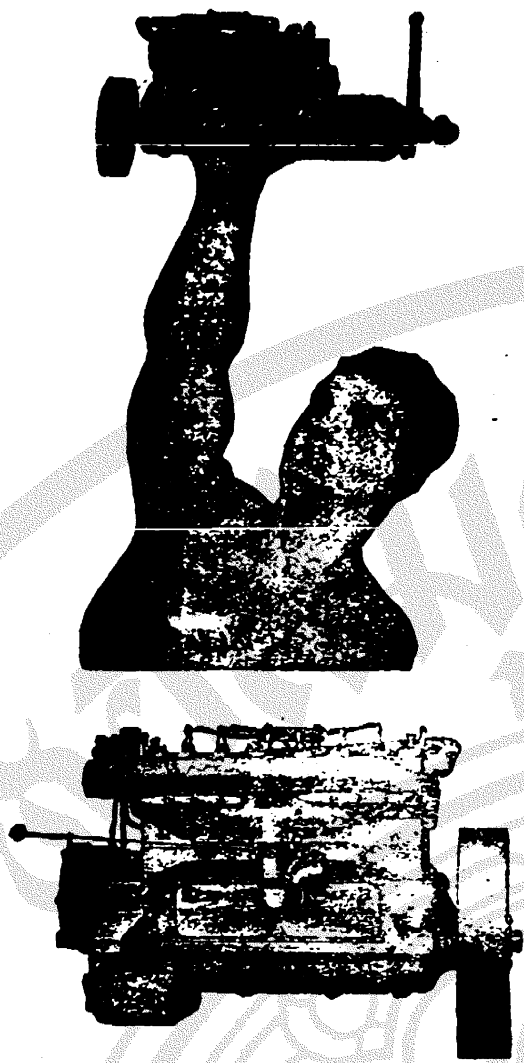
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KERMATH12 H.P. 16 H.P. and 20 H.P.
IN STOCK.**Siam Import Co., Ltd.****Sikak Phya Sri-City.****The Italian Retreat.**

London, Oct. 31.—The Tagliamento on which the Italians are slowly retiring is eighteen miles west of Udine and is at present a broad swollen torrent. The rapidity of the enemy advances having failed to cut off the Italian centre and right an early pause in the onslaught is now anticipated, owing to the difficulties of communications, giving the Italians time to reorganise and carry out a long prepared defensive plan to avert the danger of outflanking which was obviously the enemy's object in his march against the upper reaches of the Tagliamento. This like all rivers of Venezia is exposed to attack from the mountains. This menace is absent in the case of the Adige, which some critics regard as the true military frontier of Italy. The superiority of Italy's forces with Franco-British help is expected to defeat the enemy assault long before the last resort of a retirement to the Adige is necessary.

London, Oct. 31.—Italian Official: Engagements occurred yesterday in the hills at San Daniele de Friuli along the Ledra Canal, at Pasion, Schiavonesco and Pozzuolo de Friuli. The bravery of our covering units permitted other troops to continue their movement towards the new line.

Paris, Oct. 31.—The Associated Press correspondent on the Italian front telegraphing last night says all the British batteries were saved but the men suffered much from cold, torrential rain and hunger during the retreat.

London, Oct. 31.—In the House of Commons Mr. Macpherson confirmed that the British guns had been successfully withdrawn.

New York, Oct. 31.—The Associated Press correspondent at Italian Headquarters sends the first connected narrative of the retreat. It begins out General Cadorna's first despatch that the disaster was not due to overwhelming odds but to the defection of a portion of one of the armies guarding a sector where comparatively no fighting had occurred and where the attack was so unexpected that the Italians had little more than an outpost. After the enemy crossed the Isonzo near Tolmino he faced a range of low mountains with the Italians masters of the passes leading to the eastern regions of Venezia. Simultaneously the Austro-Germans feinted along the whole southern front in order to prevent the Italians moving reinforcements to the extreme north.

The bombardment of Gorizia and all along the Carso to Monfalcone was terrific but was not followed by infantry advances, which were clearly awaiting the development of Mackensen's turning movement on the north.

The correspondent testifies to the firmness of the main body of Italians and to Cadorna's genius in conducting the retreat most skillfully.

Washington, Oct. 31.—America's faith in Italy is evidenced by the Treasury loaning her 230 million dollars wherewith to pay for coal and other supplies purchased in America.

All Italy United.

Rome, Oct. 31.—Sr. Orlando has telegraphed to General Cadorna assuring him that the faith of the Italian people in the army and its leader is unshaken. The enemy and the world shall know that Italians in the hour of trial have settled their differences and are inexorably resolved to free their country from invaders.

Rome, Oct. 31.—The Austro-German onslaught has failed to disunite the Italians; on the contrary it has cemented internal unity. The Socialist leaders have offered the Government their support and the Clericals, who were irritated by Baron Sonnino's criticism of the papal note, have resolved not to protest further. The Archbishop of Milan in a patriotic address urges fortitude and discipline and a manifesto by a Lombard workman recalls the German crimes in Belgium, Serbia, Roumania and urges the people to defend their homes.

Rome, Oct. 31.—Sr. Orlando the new premier has telegraphed to Lloyd George that the heart of the Italian people beats firm. In this hour of their greatest trial they reaffirm to Britain their solidarity in the common struggle. "After fifty years, the most arrogant enemy has again put his foot on a strip of Italian soil, and with an enormous effort is directing a very formidable struggle against us but our spirit does not weaken. If the enemy reckons that he is weakening our internal resistance he is achieving quite the contrary result, for necessity will unite and strengthen our nation." He concludes with expressing his confidence in the bravery of the army.

The Times Opinion.

London, Nov. 1.—Wireless German Official. We stormed bridgeheads at Dignano and Codroipo, penetrated rearward positions eastward of the lower Tagliamento. The Austro-Hungarians advanced from the Isonzo against the last enemy crossing near Latisana. Sixty thousand Italians were cut off and outflanked and laid down their arms. Several hundred guns were captured. The prisoners now total 180,000 and 1,500 guns.

London, Nov. 1.—Italian Official. Our troops eluding the enemy's plan by the rapidity of their movements and the resistance of covering units, effected their withdrawal to the Tagliamento, despite most difficult con-

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The Italian Retreat.

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British twelve inch gunners. Before retiring one British gun was so nearly abandoned that the gunners destroyed the breech but it was saved with the others.

New York, Nov. 1.—The Associated Press correspondent at Italian Headquarters telegraphs: The inevitable confusion which occurred during the gigantic movements of troops and material to stronger positions in the rear is disappearing very quickly. He discounts the view that the retreat was a general *saute qui saute*, it was a methodical retirement on a vast scale. The horrors of the recent trial are largely compensated for by the strategic and military results which have been obtained but which at present cannot be mentioned.

The Western Front.

London, Nov. 1.—French communiqué: We raided the German lines in the direction of Bethencourt, south-east of St. Quentin, in the sector Souain, in the Champagne region, Bolante in the Argonne, north of Elrely in the Woivre. We took prisoner forty and inflicted serious losses on the enemy.

London, Nov. 1.—Field Marshal Haig: Hostile artillery fire took place during the night east and north-east of Ypres. Our fire dispersed a concentration in the neighbourhood of Paschen-daele.

Admiralty naval aircraft bombed Spanghelhoek aerodrome yesterday. Clouds made the work difficult to observe. We carried out many offensive patrols and shot down an enemy machine. All of ours returned.

Rainfall.

We have received the following telegraphic reports of rainfall from the Department of Agriculture, Ministry of Lands and Agriculture.

KRUNG DEB.			
At Min. of L. & A. Nov.	3	0.9	mm.
" Min. of L. & A. "	4	0.6	"
MONDOL KRUNG KAO.			
At Ayudhya Nov.	1	5.2	"
" Saraburi "	1	4.0	"
" Saraburi "	2	8.0	"
MONDOL NAGOR JAYSRI.			
At Samuda Sagor Nov.	2	2.7	"
MONDOL RAJABURI.			
At Rajaburi Nov.	4	3.5	"
" Samuda Songram "	4	31.6	"

Paddy Crop Report for the Mondol Channai.

For October 8-14, 2460.

Krung Deb.

Nondaburi:—The area planted up to date is about 587,100 rai, the paddy is looking well, over 3 sok in height. The price of paddy is 50 bahts per kwien and that of rice is 2 bahts per tang.

Minburi:—The area planted up to date is 29,100 rai, about 5,400 rai more than at this time last year. The paddy is in good condition with the exception of some slight damage caused by flood and caterpillars. The height is about 3 sok.

The price of paddy is 45 bahts per kwien and that of rice is 2 bahts per tang.

Phra Pradaeng:—The area planted up to date is about 88,100 rai, the paddy is at most 3 sok high, doing well.

The price of paddy is 40 bahts per kwien and that of rice is 2 bahts per tang.

Samudaparakar:—The area planted up to date is 142,600 rai, about 98,000 rai less than at this time last year. The paddy is at a height of about 3 sok, in good condition. Kao Bao is heading.

The price of paddy is 50 bahts per kwien and that of rice is 2 bahts per tang.

Mondol Krung Kao.

Dhanyaburi:—The area planted up to date is about 327,200 rai, the paddy is rather inferior to that of last year though it is in good condition. The height is at most over 3 sok. Kao Bao is heading and is being harvested in some places.

The price of paddy is 45 bahts per kwien and that of rice is 1.75 bahts per tang.

Pradum Dhani:—The area planted up to date is 129,600 rai, about 9,800 rai less than at this time last year. The paddy to the extent of about 2,300 rai has been damaged by flood, the remainder is over 3 sok high, inferior to that of last year. Kao Bao is heading. Harvesting is being handled in some places.

The price of paddy is 45 bahts per kwien and that of rice is 1.75 baht per tang.

Ayudhya:—The area planted up to date is 1,200,300 rai, about 4,800 rai more than at this time last year. The paddy to the extent of about 121,300 rai has been damaged by flood. The standing crop is at most 5 sok high, in good condition. Kao Bao is heading.

The price of paddy is 40 bahts per kwien and that of rice is 1.75 baht per tang.

Anthong:—The area planted up to date is 397,900 rai, about the same as the area planted at this time last year. The paddy to the extent of about 6,800 rai has been damaged by flood, the remainder is in good condition, over 4 sok in height.

The price of paddy is 40 bahts per kwien and that of rice is 1.37 baht per tang.

Singhaburi:—The area planted up to date is 195,100 rai, about the same as the area planted at this time last year. The paddy to the extent of about 14,800 rai has been damaged by flood, the remainder is in good condition, about 4 sok in height.

The price of paddy is 35 bahts per kwien and that of rice is 1.50 baht per tang.

Saraburi:—The area planted up to date is 395,500 rai, about 33,600 rai more than at this time last year. The paddy to the extent of about 32,000 rai has been damaged by flood, the remainder is in good condition, over 3 sok in height.

The price of paddy is 45 bahts per kwien and that of rice is 1.50 baht per tang.

Lobbur:—The area planted up to date is 417,400 rai, about 11,000 rai more than at this time last year. The paddy is at most over 4 sok high, inferior to that of last year. Kao Bao is heading and is being harvested in some places.

The price of paddy is 37 bahts per kwien and that of rice is 1.50 baht per tang.

Mondol Nagor Jaysri.

Samuda Sagor:—The area planted up to date is 83,500 rai, about 8,000 rai more than at this time last year. The paddy to the extent of about 5,100 rai has been damaged in some places by drought and in others by flood. The standing crop is at most over 3 sok high, in better condition than last year.

The price of paddy is 50 bahts per kwien and that of rice is 2 bahts per tang.

Subarn:—The area planted up to date is 664,400 rai, about 109,900 rai more than at this time last year. The paddy to the extent of about 5,000 rai has been damaged in some places by drought and in others by flood, the remainder is doing fairly well, about 4 sok in height.

The price of paddy is 45 bahts per kwien and that of rice is 1.50 baht per tang.

Mondol Rajaburi.

Samuda Songram:—The area planted up to date is about 22,200 rai, the paddy is at most over 3 sok high, in good condition with the exception of some slight damage in the low-lying districts due to flood.

The price of paddy is 50 bahts per kwien and that of rice is 1.50 baht per tang.

Prachuab:—The area planted up to date is 4,100 rai, about 5,400 rai less than at this time last year. The paddy is over 3 sok high, in fair condition but inferior to that of last year.

The price of paddy is 48 bahts per kwien and that of rice is 2 baht per tang.

Mondol Prachin.

Chbaxoeng Sao:—The area planted up to date is 546,800 rai, about 59,300 rai more than at this time last year. The paddy is in the same condition as last year, over 3 sok in height.

The price of paddy is 50 bahts per kwien and that of rice is 1.50 bahts per tang.

Prachin:—The area planted up to date is 243,800 rai, about 22,800 rai more than at this time last year. The paddy is in better condition than last year and is beginning to head.

The price of paddy is 57 bahts per kwien and that of rice is 1.50 baht per tang.

Nagor Nayok:—The area planted up to date is 267,500 rai, about 9,000 rai more than at this time last year. The paddy is doing well, over 3 sok in height.

The price of paddy is 46 bahts per kwien and that of rice is 1.50 baht per tang.

Jolburi:—The area planted up to date is 148,200 rai, about 14,700 rai more than at this time last year. The paddy to the extent of about 2,000 rai has been damaged by various causes, the remainder is doing well, and beginning to form ear.

The price of paddy is 50 bahts per kwien and that of rice is 1.50 baht per tang.

Krabindra:—The area planted up to date is 55,100 rai, about 5,400 rai more than at this time last year. The paddy is in fair condition, about the same as last year. The height is about 3 sok.

The price of paddy is 45 bahts per kwien and that of rice is 1.75 baht per tang.

Mondol Nagor Svarga.

Nagor Svarga:—The area planted up to date is 221,100 rai, about 9,000 rai more than at this time last year. The paddy to the extent of about 1,400 rai has been damaged by flood, the remainder is in good condition and is beginning to head.

The price of paddy is 40 bahts per kwien and that of rice is 1.50 baht per tang.

Maya:—The area planted up to date is 137,000 rai, about one-tenth of the area planted at this time last year. The paddy to the extent of about 3,200 rai has been damaged by flood, the remainder is about 3 sok high, in the

same condition as last year. Kao Bao is heading in some places.

The price of paddy is 40 bahts per kwien and that of rice is 1.37 baht per tang.

Jaynad:—The area planted up to date is 201,500 rai, about 97,400 rai more than at this time last year. The paddy to the extent of about 35,700 rai has been damaged by flood, the remainder is over 4 sok high, inferior to that of last year.

The price of paddy is 50 bahts per kwien and that of rice is 1.50 baht per tang.

Kambaeng Bejara:—The area planted up to date is 39,900 rai, about 900 rai less than at this time last year. The paddy to the extent of about 5,700 rai has been damaged by flood and crab, the remainder is doing well, about the same as last year. The height is over 3 sok.

The price of paddy is 35 bahts per kwien and that of rice is 1.50 baht per tang.

Tak:—The area planted up to date is 26,300 rai, about 6,000 rai less than at this time last year. The paddy to the extent of about 2,000 rai has been damaged by flood, the remainder is over 3 sok high, in better condition than last year.

The price of paddy is 50 bahts per kwien and that of rice is 1.50 baht per tang.

Renuka:—Reports have not yet been received from Changvade Nagor Patom, Rajaburi, Bejraburi, Kanchanaburi.

Between the 8th and the 15th inst. the Krung Deb rice mills bought about 14,442 kwien of paddy which came by river and about 485 kwien by rail, making a total of about 14,927 kwien (rice mill six). The prices at the mills of Kao Na-suan were from 67 to 85 bahts per kwien, Kao Na-muang from 50 to 55 bahts, Kao Samuang from 50 to 70 bahts and Kao Bao from 53 to 66 bahts (rice millers' kwien.)

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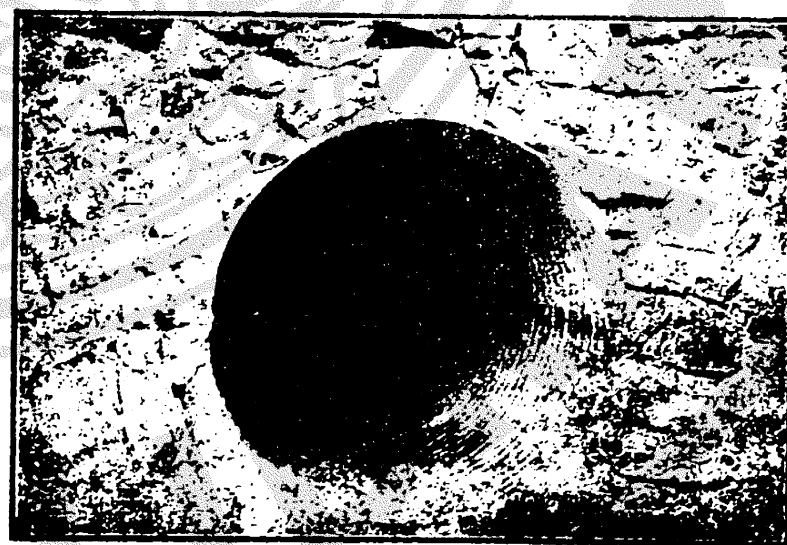
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