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Late War News.

German Plans Upset.

London, Aug. 19.—It is certain that the enemy believed that the Somme-Breims attack was the utmost the Allies could attempt. Therefore, the assault on the Somme disorganised the German plans and upset the German Staff's calculation. The Allies have already secured their chief objectives.

The Germans losses in material amount to tens of millions.

The whole operations rank with the first battle of the Marne and the battle of Ypres and Verdun as the cardinal features of the war, and coupled with the opening of the new Russian front, mark a vastly important stage towards final victory. ("Pioneer" cable).

The Germans' Next Move.

London, Aug. 19.—Military Correspondents suggest that the Germans may retreat to the Meuse owing to their loss of the initiative. The enemy is making a defensive line from Antwerp to Liege with pill boxes and cement lines. There are three possibilities in a local retirement to a straight line or to retirement to the Hindenburg line so that the Germans can keep Flanders and Longwy mineral area. These points are well apart and are both vulnerable to central attack. This general weakness suggests a new general line. Prince Rupprecht and the Crown Prince are both retiring, being practically superseded. ("Civil and Military Gazette" cable).

General Retirement.

London, Aug. 19th.—The Allies continue the subjugation of strong points like Roye, Chaumes and Fresnoy, and are making good progress. The enemy is making a maximum resistance at these points and is endeavouring to induce us to attack with infantry to receive severe losses. The Allies' policy is to go slow and to reduce the positions by shelling.

The enemy is making preparations for a general retirement and is uprooting moveable objects for miles behind the Somme and the Aisne.

German newspapers are gloomy, stating that no victory by force is possible. The army chiefs are blamed for misleading promises.

The Germans are endeavouring to secure Austrians and Turks to replace their losses.

The new Russian situation is causing the Germans anxiety. The whole Russian situation is a political reverse for Berlin. The enemy has over-reached himself, underestimating the Russian power of reacting.

The Boka situation is good. The initiative is, in fact, possessed by the Allies everywhere. ("Pioneer" cable).

Wonderful Supremacy in the Air.

London, Aug. 16.—The wonderful success of the Royal Air Force continues to place the German aerial service further in the background and there is now no comparison between the Allied and the German services.

The whole British army is regarded definitely by all critics as a greater instrument than the German army before or after the war, and it has developed a striking power.

The American army is developing on the same lines.

The Germans are defeated on sea and land, and their people are depressed by the thought that their leaders have been outwitted. A peace offensive is again anticipated, as the Russian situation is said to be full of peril for the enemy. ("Civil and Military Gazette" cable).

Gloom in Germany.

London, Aug. 20th.—The German Press is gloomy at the unity of the British Empire as evidenced in the successful formation of a permanent Empire Cabinet. It is gloomy also over the great success of the British War Bonds during the period of the German crisis this year. ("Civil and Military Gazette" cable).

The Famous Quebec Bridge.

Ottawa.—Quebec Bridge has passed the severest tests and the Government will take it over shortly. (Reuter via Bombay).

Valuable Scrap Heaps.

Scrap heaps and dumps have in recent years become sources of wealth. The chemical and dye industries of Germany were founded on the utilization of what was once thrown away. A shrewd American bought a bog into which thousands of tons of tar had been dumped and made a fortune by recovering it. A miner in Butte became rich by extracting sulphate of copper dissolved in water pumped from the mines. By-products that oil companies disburse. In one year alone metals valued at \$72,786,027 were recovered from scrap heaps in this country, not including gold, silver, platinum, iron and steel, to which attention has always been given. Of all the copper figures in the metal trade of the country more than 22 per cent was recovered from scrap, of zinc 20 per cent, of lead 11 per cent and of tin 26 per cent. The recovery of tin from scrap is a comparatively new industry, the annual output of which now exceeds in value \$8,000,000, most of which would have been wasted a few years ago. Shoddy is a commercial product of great value and usefulness. English mills consume three times as much shoddy as is used in American mills. The foreign demand for shoddy is very great. We could use more shoddy in an honest way, but it cannot be obtained. Americans destroy or throw away rags and worn-out garments in sufficient quantity almost to double the supply. Manufacturers have learned to utilize waste, but the masses of the people have not. —New York Sun.

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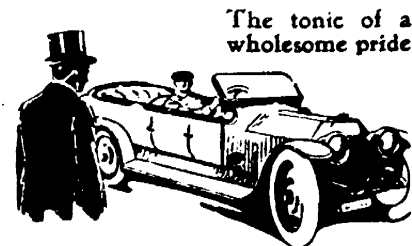
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THE PEACE MOVE.

In reading the Vice-Chancellor's
speech one is amazed at the effrontery
shown by the Germans in their peace
conditions. There is not one word
expressive of contrition or repentance
for the untold suffering they have
brought upon the world. On the
contrary Germany still makes herself
out to be the aggrieved party and no
reparation is to be made to Belgium
because she is not an innocent victim!
The Hun's formulae of no indemnities
no annexations are but hollow phrases
against which a few days ago His
Eminence Cardinal Bourne warned the
British public pointing out that justice
may demand both. The Vice-Chan-
cellor's speech shows that, although
the situation of Germany whether
viewed from a military or domestic
standpoint is desperate, yet the spirit
of militarism in that country still
remains uncrushed. The enemy has
yet to learn that the crushing of the
Prussian military machine must be
effected before peace terms can be dis-
cussed. The Allies do not desire to
crush the German nation; it is German
militarism that they wish to overthrow
and the determination of the great
majority of people in all Allied coun-
tries is to end the war by defeating
Germany so entirely and decisively in
the field that she will never again be
in a position to disturb the world's
peace.

The enemy's hold on the occupied
part of France is becoming weaker and
more precarious and it is within the
bounds of possibility that he may with-
draw this year from these districts
altogether and strengthen himself in
Belgium and along the line of his own
frontier. Should he do so he will
doubtless launch further efforts to
secure a peace as favourable to himself
as possible.

It will be interesting to observe the
attitude of the various Labour organisa-
tions towards the new peace move. In
the final settlement Labour will have
a powerful voice and it remains to be
seen whether the Labour organisations
will endorse the views of Cardinal
Bourne as stated above or whether they
will be inclined to let the Germans
down easily.

What the nature of the final settle-
ment will be is, at this stage, impos-
sible to say but no settlement can be
made that does include reparation for
the damage and destruction done in
France, Belgium and Serbia neither
can Germany be allowed to hold a foot
of land wrested by conquest from an
unwilling people; hence the territory
torn from Russia by the Brest-Litovsk
treaty must be restored before any
peace terms can be considered. We
fear that so far the German has shown
but little inclination to agree to such
conditions and hence the only thing
left to do is to hammer him until he is
compelled to accept them. The smash-
ing of the greatest military confeder-
ation the world has ever seen is an
arduous task but it is one which the
Allies have set themselves to accom-
plish and, with the determination that
the Allies have always shown, we have
no fear of the result.

LOCAL AND GENERAL.

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

Mr. G. E. Russell of Chumpon is
in town and staying at the Oriental
Hotel.

The usual Intercession Service will
be held at St. Mary's Mission at 6.30
p.m. this evening.

RUMOUR has it that the former
Naval Coal Hulk has again changed
hands at an enormous profit to her
late owners.

The British American Tobacco
Co., Harbin, has contributed 250,000
cigarettes to the Co-cho-Slavs through
the Y.M.C.A., Harbin.

The s.s. *Main Hari* leaves for Singa-
pore to-morrow at noon and may be
expected to arrive in Singapore on the
morning of the 23rd.

The following vessels have arrived
from Singapore:—*Asdang*, *Mata Hari*,
Redang. The *Hupeh* is in from Swatow
and the *Krat* from the coast.

New American one and two dollar
notes were to be issued in July to re-
place silver withdrawn, the two dollar
bearing a picture of the newest Ameri-
can battleships and a portrait of
Thomas Jefferson.

The case against Lee Tek Or (Khun
Seng) which was down for hearing to-
day was postponed to the 21st and
23rd inst. as the defendant is unable to
attend court owing to ill-health.

A BAND of women brigands, about
30 in number, armed with pistols and
daggers, is reported to have been oper-
ating in a certain district, is Shantung.
According to one report, they have
even fought against the Government
troops, who so far have been unable to
suppress them.

The rogue elephant at Ulu Klang
which killed a Malay and wounded
three others during the "Bulan Pusa"
has been shot by Mr. Hay. For the
last two years this elephant has lived
in the blunder round the kampongs do-
ing considerable damage to houses and
fruit trees.

ACCORDING to the Pioneer the direc-
tor general of post offices in India is
calling for one hundred European and
Anglo-Indian recruits for service in
the returned letter office at Basara
with a view to release the military
men now employed there for military
duties. The salary offered is Rs. 100
per mensem with free rations, etc.

RECENTLY a number of bombs have
been found in vacant lots in and around
Shanghai. They are all of the same
type, according to a Shanghai paper: a
cigarette-tin filled with some explosive
and scrap iron. A few days ago such a
bomb exploded in a field off Rue
Ratard, making a big hole in the ground
but doing no damage. It is thought
that the bomb exploded itself by the
heat of the sun.

LATEST ADVICE:—The Borneo Co.,
Ltd. have two notices to consignees.
The Bombay Burmah Trading Cor-
poration Ltd. have a notice to con-
signees.

The stock in trade of the Stationery
Dept. of B. Grimm and Co. will be
sold by auction from 23rd to 28th inst.
at 2 p.m. each day.

The s.s. *Mata Hari* leaves for Singa-
pore direct to-morrow (19th inst.) at
noon.

The court-martial has been opened
at Rome of four Italians, Carpi, Mos-
chini, Azzoni, and Bartolini, who are
charged with blowing up the battle-
ship *Benedetto Brin* in September,
1915, at Brindisi, when 646 men in
the crew lost their lives. The evidence
shows that all inquiries were without
result for six months, but in May 1916,
an Italian spy named Molotti, who was
formerly in the Austrian secret service
revealed a plot between one Fonsor, a
German official, and the German pro-
prietor of a fashionable Venice hotel,
who received £4,000 each to organise
the outrage. They enlisted the services
of the four accused, three of whom were
members of the battleship's crew. This
quartette are now in the steel cage of
Roman Assize Court. They are said
to have received £3,400 as blood
money. Evidence thus obtained seems
open to a good deal of suspicion.

Societa Dante Alighieri.

A series of Italian lessons is to be
instituted in November next by the
Societa Dante Alighieri. There will
be two courses: one for pupils who
possess some knowledge of Italian, and
one for beginners. No charge will be
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London, Sept. 17.—American Official communiqué:—In the St. Mihiel sector there was increased artillery and aviation activity. An enemy counter-attack at daybreak near St. Mihiel was easily repulsed and a number of prisoners captured. On the left bank of the Moselle our lines have been advanced one to two miles and include the towns of Viller and Norroy. The normal extension of our lines beyond Jaulny resulted in the bringing in of 72 additional guns which had been abandoned by the enemy in his hasty retreat. This brings the total of guns captured to over two hundred.

Liner Torpedoed.

(REUTER'S TELEGRAM.)

London, Sept. 17.—The liner *Galway Castle* bound for South Africa with 941 persons on board including 300 women, and children and the South African cabinet minister Burton was torpedoed at 7 o'clock on the morning of September 12. One hundred and twenty passengers and thirty-four of the crew are missing. Mr. Burton was saved.

Air Raid on Paris.

(REUTER'S TELEGRAM.)

London, Sept. 17.—Paris.—Several squadrons of enemy aeroplanes bombed Paris this morning despite an intense barrage. There were some victims and some material damage was done.

Vailly Captured.

(REUTER'S TELEGRAM.)

London, Sept. 17.—The French Communiqué says:—We have captured Vailly.

A Peace Kite.

The String in Berlin.

Amsterdam, Sept. 11.—Count Burian has made a strongly pacifist speech to German journalists visiting Vienna. He contended that the belligerents' efforts to attain their respective war aims would not justify the huge sacrifices still necessary. Therefore he suggested that the adversaries should provide an opportunity a calm exchange of views. He believed that some sort of direct informative discussion was possible, which would in no wise be peace negotiations. He exhorted the press men to cultivate this view.

Amsterdam, Sept. 11.—Writing in the *Neufreie Presse*, Count Czernin declares that the British have convinced that peace is impossible so long as Germany is unwilling to substitute arbitration for force. The League of Nations which Entente statesmen contemplate, is intended to ensure the Entente predominance and is therefore unacceptable, but the idea of a league of nations is ripening. The Count concludes by declaring that war as a political weapon must be combated.

Zurich, Sept. 10.—According to a severely censored message from Vienna there was a serious food riot at Vllach. Hundreds of women plundered the butchers shops. The police and military were momentarily powerless. Martial law has been proclaimed.

Amsterdam, Sept. 10.—The German reply to the British publication of the names of German submarine officers confines itself to a vague reference to inaccuracies, the only specific inaccuracy mentioned being a wrong description of the rank of some submarine officers. Otherwise the reply takes refuge behind the plea that nothing further can be said without revealing important secrets. It concludes as usual by a warning against pessimism.

London, Sept. 11.—A special article commenting pan-German propaganda for a great German Empire in Central Africa in the *New York Times* says: "knowing the Germany's cruelties to natives and her military exploitation of her colonies, knowing what a detestable neighbour and sower of sedition she is, knowing that her occupation of the African ports and sea routes would be a permanent danger to peace, is the restoration of the German colonies likely to commend itself to a free world?"

General Wire News.

London, Sept. 9.—The *Times* correspondent at the Hague says that the new cabinet includes:—Ruys de Beerenbrouck Premier and Minister of the Interior; Doctor Van Karmbeek Foreign Minister, and Idenburg, Minister for the Colonies.

London, Sept. 9.—General E. W. Cox is reported drowned whilst with his battery in France.

Washington, Sept. 10.—The Navy Department announces that thirty-five fire men of the Mount Vernon, whose attack was called on Sept. 7, were killed by the explosion of the torpedo.

London, Sept. 10.—Mr. Lloyd George starts on the 11th a great tour in Lancashire and receives the freedom of Manchester on the 12th. The ceremony will be followed by various public functions at which the Premier will speak. He motors next day through Lancashire, delivering speeches at numerous stopping places, finishing at Blackpool.

London, Sept. 10.—British official from Salonica: In the Struma valley the Greek outpost line advanced unopposed to the general line Kakaraska Kalendra Haznatar.

London, Sept. 10.—East African official: Two British columns simultaneously attacked the enemy in the vicinity of Anguroh on the Upper Lurio river, driving him westwards killing and capturing many.

Peking, Sept. 10.—Hsuehshihchang the new president of China, is a cultured representative of the old school, exemplifies the hopes of a moderate party, and represents a compromise between the militarists, reactionaries, and progressives.

Paris, Sept. 10.—The first official and technical attempt at an aerial postal service occurred to-day between Nice and Corsica.

Ottawa, Sept. 10.—A statement of the finance department shows an increase of over twelve million dollars in the revenues of the Dominion for the first five months of the current fiscal year. The war expenditure in August totalled \$11,571,725.

Cairo, Sept. 11.—The condition of the cotton crop in Lower Egypt is ninety-nine per centum, and in Upper Egypt 102 per centum of the normal. The damage done by the cotton worm is practically nil, while the pink and common bollworm attack is only moderate. The crop is promising well.

London, Sept. 11.—The Admiralty announces that a British destroyer was sunk on Sept. 8 as the result of a collision in the fog. There were no casualties.

The Hague, Sept. 11.—The new Dutch Cabinet Conservative and Roman Catholic.

London, Sept. 11.—A Russian wireless announces that the further thirty-five executions have taken place, comprising White Guard officers, five of the late Tsar's ex-ministers, including Khostoff and Protopopoff and the priest Vostoroff.

London, Sept. 10.—The Admiralty says the Royal Air Force co-operating with the navy on September 1 to 7 attacked submarine shelters and workshops at Bruz on four occasions and obtained direct hits. They also attacked Ostend docks and the coastal motor boat depot at Blankenberge with good results. Large fires started. Our day bombers dropped fourteen tons of bombs. One machine has not returned. In air fighting ten hostile machines were brought down and nine driven down out of control. Three British are missing.

Germany's Future.

The leading men of Germany are not blind to the results of the war on their country. On April 4th—when victory was plainly in sight they thought—Dr. von Michaelis the ex-Chancellor, made a public speech at Benneckenstein, in the Harz Mountains, in the course of which he said, according to the *Brinswick Neueste Nachrichten*:

"We must look the fact in the face that we shall take war distress with us into peace time. We must inwardly prepare ourselves to bear peace distress without murmuring. The scarcity and high prices will remain not only as regards food, but also in respect of clothes and shoes. Our great burden of debt will force us to the compulsory control of raw materials by the State."

We must realise that we are also to blame for the war, not politically, for the Kaiser to the last moment, wanted peace. This trial has been sent upon us because Mamon began to rule with us. God desired to preserve us from complete materialism. I would rather renounce the war indemnity if I were once more responsible for that than by payment of its debts bring our people into the great danger of sinking into materialism.

The simple domestic life will be our duty after the war. Our children are our greatest possession. We must have children. We must not fear peace distress. The German people has ever shown itself most strong and splendid when it was in distress.

What do they think now? When Russia has slipped from their grasp and France is being wrested from it?

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The tenth annual report of Whiteaway, Laidlaw, Ltd., is as follows:—The accounts show a profit of £147,002 7s. 6d., and, after providing for depreciation on buildings and plant, income tax, directors' and managing director's fees, the payment of the preference dividend to December 31, 1917, and an interim dividend on the ordinary shares to August 31, 1917, there is a balance of £98,651 15s. 10d., which the directors recommend shall be appropriated as follows:—The second interim dividend of 5 per cent., free of tax, on the ordinary shares, paid May 24, 1918, to be a final dividend, making 10 per cent. per annum, free of tax, for the year. To carry to the reserve fund £67,428 5s. 8d., making the reserve £243,564. To pay to the trustees of the employees' provident fund £2,000; and to carry forward the balance of £14,938 1s. 10d. to the next year's account.—(*Straits Times*)

Murder at Macao.

The story of a brutal murder in which a Portuguese priest, Joao Magalhaes, shot and killed a young Portuguese girl at a feast in Ponta de Barca has come by mail from Macao. A big feast in honour of Santa Rita was held and was attended by numbers of Portuguese priests and their concubines. Shortly after the ceremony two girls (one of them a great favourite of Magalhaes) got into a fight. Magalhaes hearing the noise and seeing his favourite in trouble immediately ran to the spot. He snatched a revolver from under his cassock and fired a shot at the girl, who was pulling the hair and clawing the face of his concubine. It missed but the girl ran into a corridor seeking to reach sanctuary at the altar, with the priest in hot pursuit. As he overtook her she knelt before him and asked pardon. Magalhaes took no notice of her pitiful pleadings, but levelled the revolver at her and fired two shots into her kneeling body. One entered the heart and she died instantly. The priest escaped from the premises immediately while the favourite left in peace for her house.

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The End Of The War.

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FOUR Bombay ladies have beaten the best of Bombay's men at section jumping in the Gymkhana's mounted sports. The *Times of India* points out that "no section of mere men could, of course, hope to compete with them in dressing."

For strategical reasons the Ministry of Communications has, says the *Shanghai Times*, considered the necessity of building a number of light railways on the Mongolian borders in order to facilitate the transportation of troops and military supplies in the event of the Russian disturbances spreading into Chinese territory. According to the plans of the Ministry, three lines will be constructed. The first one will start from Hsuanhua to Kuchina, the second from Kalgan to Dalonor and the third from Jehol to Tzefeng.

Auction Sale.

The Liquidator of the business of Messrs. B. Grimm & Co., will sell by public auction the stock in trade of the Stationery Department at Messrs. B. Grimm & Co's late premises Pratoe Samyet from the 22nd up to the 28th September 1918, commencing at 2 p.m. Inspection and lists may be obtained from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. on any day from the 19th up to the date of sale.

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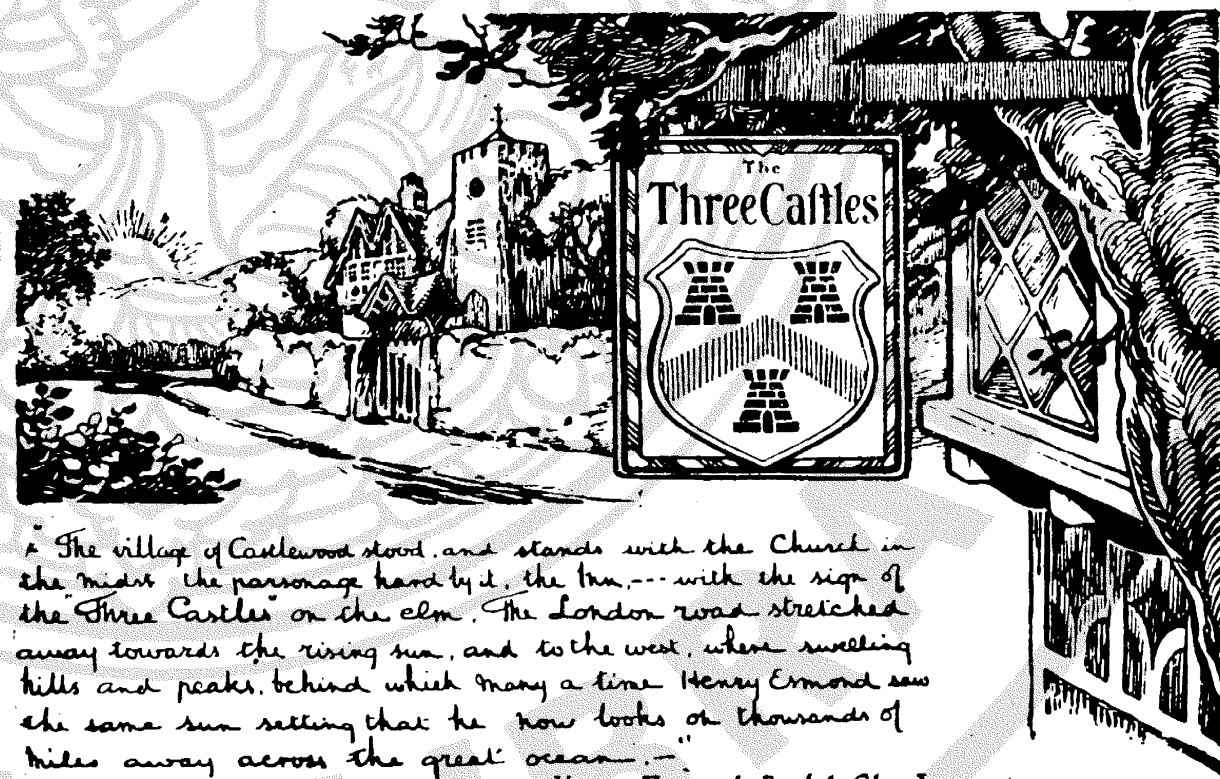
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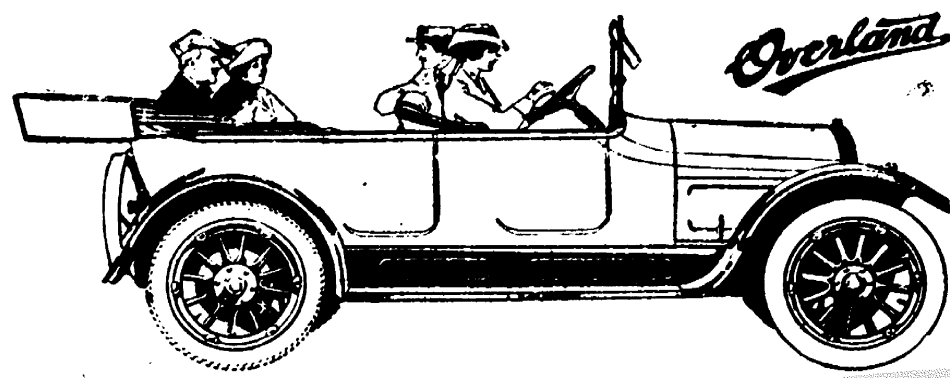
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New German Line.

London, Sept. 9.—To-day's news leaves no doubt that the German command has finally decided to turn upon the pursuers or at least to settle down in what remains of the Hindenburg line and challenge the Allies to eject them. The armies are now taking up positions for a pitched battle on an unprecedented scale.

The German strategy seems to be identical with that which followed after the retreat from the Marne in 1914, but French experts are of opinion that the tactics successful then are not likely to succeed now in view of the vastly increased Allied resources and the fact that Koch still retains the initiative and has already breached the line twice.

Paris, Sept. 9.—On almost the whole battle front the enemy artillery is thundering as it has not done for a long time indicating that the Germans are preparing to stand. Mangin's advance to Proches and Servais threatens to cut the St. Gobain La Fere road. The enemy is feverishly reinforcing his defences before Laon and preparing for a prolonged halt in the vast subterranean cavities of Monampt-euil plateau. The whole country north of the Ailette and the environs of the railway Soissons to Laon and north of Craonne is gorged with guns and howitzers.

Paris, Sept. 9.—The anniversary of the first battle of the Marne was celebrated impressively on the battlefield itself, the Allies, including the soldiers of the Dominions participating.

Reuter learns that between that Scarpe and Oise we are now attacking Guzeaucourt. We also hold the western edge and part of the northern edge of Epehy. Patrols entered Vendelles and Vermand. The French are less than four miles from St. Quentin. Cavalry patrols are close to La Fere. The retreat is slowing down as the Siegfried line is approached. The rapid movement is apparently terminating on this part of the front temporarily.

The Communiques.

London, Sept. 9.—French communiqué: To-day we further progressed north of the Somme and carried Vaux, Finquieres, Happencourt and Hamel. South of the Somme the enemy resistance is most stubborn and violent fighting has raged north and east of St. Simon. The Germans attacked and partly retook Avesnes, where-after as the result of a desperate encounter, we regained the whole, making prisoner a hundred. We captured Arthenes, northeast of St. Simon and gained ground on both sides of the Oise, eastwards of Fargniers on the outskirts of la Fere, and west of Servais.

London, Sept. 9.—Reuter's correspondent at French Headquarters (Sunday) says that the hardest fighting of the French troops in the past week has been Mangin's army, among the hills and woods before the Hindenburg line. The Germans had unquestionably decided for a prepared stand in the region of Quincy Bassee and Pont Saint Mard, where they had the advantage of views of the French. After a memorable struggle we crossed the canal Ailette at Concy le Ville. The canal is eighteen yards wide and seven feet deep. The Boche, with scores of machine-guns lined the east bank to the water edge. The French engineers actually bridged the canal under showers of grenades and murderous point blank machine gun fire, after which the engineers were the first across to get to grips with the machine-guns.

Across the water lay the woods wherein the Germans had installed machine guns behind every tree. The oldest veterans are emphatic that the fighting here and the volume of fire surpassed everything in the whole campaign. The enemy machine-guns literally fought to the death for five days. This continued unrelentingly and a single Gascon division advancing foot by foot not more than a hundred yards daily engaged five German divisions. On the sixth day with the help of artillery the French won through to the Hindenburg positions freeing Concy le Chateau which looks to-day like a stonequarry.

London, Sept. 9.—Reuter's correspondent at American Headquarters wiring on Sept. 8 says: Repeatedly during the past week, even when the German infantry was most hotly pressed, the German artillery has not provided anything like the assistance which might be anticipated. As an example the German counter-battery work on the occasion of the sanguinary defeat of three German divisions at Crecy au Mont was puerile. One is forced to conclude that perhaps partly owing to the loss of millions of rounds in the retreat the enemy at any rate in a certain sector is short of ammunition.

London, Sept. 9.—Field Marshal Haig says we successfully repulsed raiders north of Arleux en Gobelle. There was reciprocal artillery activity chiefly in the neighbourhoods of the Arras-Cambrai road and la Basee canal Ypres sectors.

London, Sept. 10.—Field Marshal Haig: In the early morning the English and New Zealand troops advanced

detachments attacked and carried German positions on the high ground between Peziere and Havincourt wood. After sharp fighting, wherein we repulsed heavy counter-attacks with loss, we gained the old British trench line on the ridge overlooking Gouzeaucourt, capturing Gouzeaucourt wood.

On the left of the attack other English troops successfully advanced the line to the eastern portions of Havincourt wood and captured number of prisoners in these operations. We repulsed attacks against the posts recently established west of la Basse. Wet and stormy weather prevails.

Aviation: Our aeroplanes carried out work with difficulty owing to the rain, storm and wind. We dropped five tons of bombs in day time. There was no night-flying. The enemy's activity was slight. We brought down five and drove down two uncontrollable. No British are missing.

Some Advance.

London, Sept. 10.—Reuter's correspondent at British headquarters (Sept. 9) wires that in the south we reached the line east of the villages of Trefon, Posuilly, and Flechin Berner. We were in R. isel. Thence the line ran along the Ruisel Villers Faucon railway. We are occupying Faucon, also Saulcourt and Guyencourt.

Further north we carried a spur south-east of Hendicourt and gained useful ground north of the village. We were in Dessart wood, between Fins and Gouzeaucourt. The Germans are reported trailing out of Hendicourt, near which we captured the spoil heap which figured so prominently in the battle of Cambrai in November last, securing prisoners and machine-guns.

East of Wulverghem an enemy storming party gained our trenches but was driven back with considerable losses. Fires were observed at Douai during the day. Among the prisoners are eight men recently released from captivity in Russia. A captured order signed Schultheim directs that no dug-outs with more than eight steps be used. These deep shelters are one of the great features of the Hindenburg line. This morning we satisfactorily progressed between Gouzeaucourt and Peziere.

London, Sept. 10.—Reuter's correspondent at British headquarters (Sept.

9 evening) says that this morning's attack between Gouzeaucourt and Epehy was completely successful. Considerable resistance was encountered from strong pockets of Germans with machine guns. The attack partook of the character of a reconnaissance in force by strong skirmishing patrols. As a result we carried Gouzeaucourt wood on the high ground north-west of the town, a vantage point of substantial tactical value. This carries the line nearly straight from the south-east corner of Havincourt wood, the majority of which is now in our possession. The weather continues wet and stormy.

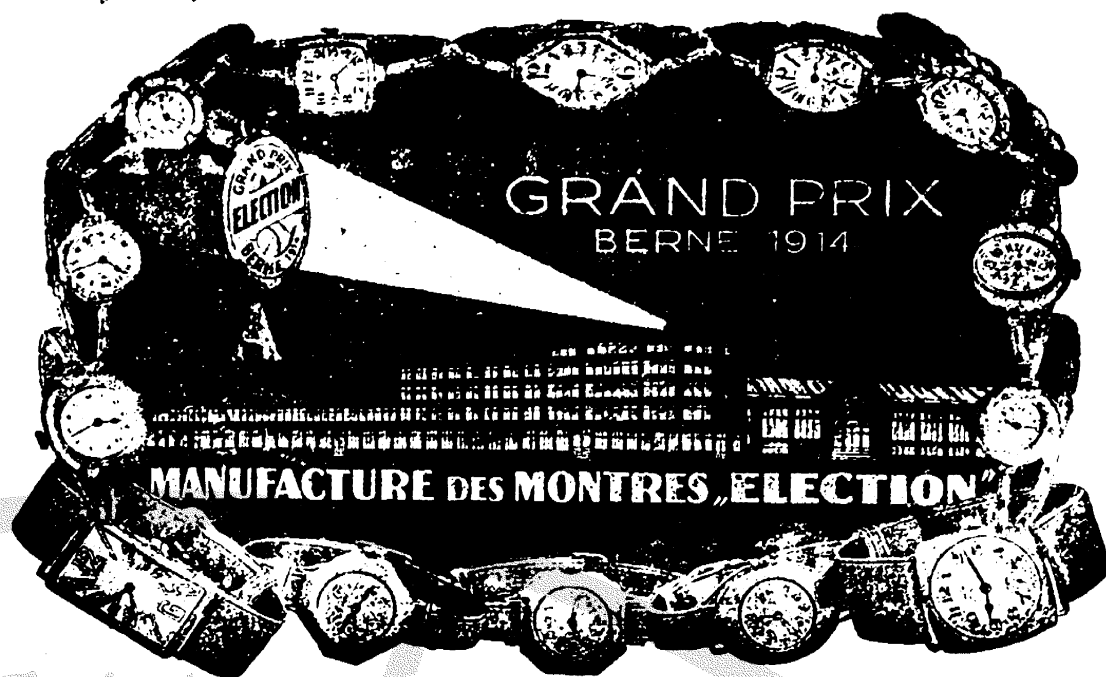
London, Sept. 10.—French communiqué: North of the Somme we increased our progress, east of Avesnes, in the direction of Clastres. We occupied Lamotte farm. Our elements crossed the Crozat Canal opposite Liez. Between the Oise and Aisne there was violent artillery work and enemy infantry reactions at night time. Two strong German counter-attacks in the region of Liffanx were repulsed. We took prisoner eighty belonging to five different regiments.

In Champagne we made a raid in the region of Mont Sans Nom and took prisoners. A German raid west of Anberive failed.

Haig's Order of Day.

London, Sept. 10.—Field Marshal Haig has issued a special order of the day to the troops in France. It says "A month has now passed since the British armies after successfully withstanding all the enemy's attacks, once more took the offensive in their turn. In that short space of time by a series of brilliant and skillfully executed actions our troops have repeatedly defeated the same German armies whose vastly superior numbers compelled our retreat last spring. What happened on the British front has happened also on the front of our Allies. Less than six months after the launching of the great German offensive designed to cut the allied front in two the allied armies are everywhere to-day advancing victoriously side by side over the same battle-fields where on by courage and steadfastness in defence they broke the enemy's assaults."

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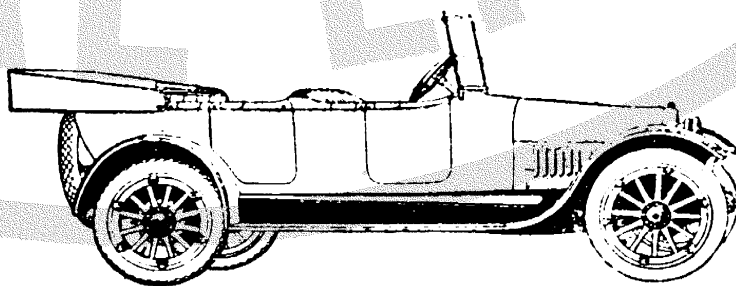
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in the enemy's strongest defences. In this glorious accomplishment all ranks of all arms and services of the British armies in France have borne their part in a most worthy and honourable manner. The capture of 75,000 prisoners and 750 guns in four weeks' fighting speaks for the magnitude of your achievement. My thanks are due to all ranks of the fighting forces for their indomitable spirit in defence and boldness in attacks, to all commanders and their staff officers under whose able direction such great results were attained, and to all those whose unsparring labours behind the actual fighting line contributed essentially to our common success. To have commanded this splendid army which at a time of grave crisis has so nobly done its duty fills me with pride. We have passed through many dark days together, please God these never will return. The enemy has now spent his effort and I rely confidently on each one of you to turn to full advantage the opportunity which your skill courage and resolution has created."

London, Sept. 10.—Reuter's correspondent at British headquarters (Sept. 10) states: The British front is now liquid in a literal sense. However we pursuing the enemy across fairly high rolling country in most places, and although artificially flooded, the area south of the Scarpe and the southern fringe of the old Somme battlefield is so bad as to be largely impassable, yet, between these limits, the going is still feasible, if uncomfortably slow.

London, Sept. 10.—Field Marshal Haig says the enemy launched a second counter-attack against our new positions west of Gouzeaucourt, which was completely repulsed. Our line advanced at right-angles south of Havincourt. We also progressed northeast of Neuve Chapelle and west and north of Armentieres.

London, Sept. 11.—Field Marshal Haig: Except for local fighting in the Epely and Gouzeaucourt sectors, where we secured prisoners, there is nothing to report on the battlefield south of the Scarpe. On the Lys front we slightly progressed northeast of Neuve Chapelle and west of Armentieres. Storms continue.

With the Americans.

London, Sept. 9.—Reuter's correspondent at American Headquarters wiring on Sept. 9 in the morning says: Between the Ailette and Aisne the enemy resistance is stronger, indicating the arrival of fresh troops. Laffaux ravines were yesterday the scene of

sanguinary fighting, these giving access along the ridge to Chemin des Dames at Celles on the Aisne. In the south-eastern angle of the same group of hills the Germans attacked furiously revealing that an abundance of artillery of all calibres is now concentrated in this danger spot in the defences of the St. Gobain Massif. In view of the difficulty of progress in this region more success is likely to attend our outflanking movement towards La Fere but in any case this counter attacking is all to our advantage.

The Ideal Russia.

Amsterdam, Sept. 10.—A wire from Moscow says that the counter revolutionary movement continues to spread, despite drastic Bolshevik measures. There is hardly any large town in Russia, where a plot is not discovered in connection with which numerous per-

sons are arrested. The movement apparently emanates from one centre.

Amsterdam, Sept. 10.—A wire from Petrograd says that it is officially announced that 1,512 shootings up to now have taken place in reprisal of the murder of Unitzki. 121 names of hostages are published who will be shot in case of a fresh attempt. They include five Grand Dukes, two of Kerenky's ex-ministers and prominent ex-officers. Thirty-four big landowners and also the ex-Archimandrite of Moscow have been shot at Smolensk as a reprisal for the attack on Lenin.

Amsterdam, Sept. 9.—The Lokal Anzeiger states that Dora Krplan, Lenin's assailant, has been executed.

Amsterdam, Sept. 9.—According to German telegram, Tchitcherin in an impudent reply to the British note, says that the Soviets are prepared to exchange diplomats only if neutrals guarantee that Britain will grant Litvinoff a safe conduct to Russia. Consul Lockhart, and other British who are

imprisoned, will then be permitted to leave.

Peking Sept. 10.—The Czecho Slovaks have captured Chita.

Tokio, Sept. 10.—A Semi-official states that Semeroff's troops have occupied Hadabak and Chindatskaya taking prisoner a hundred. Semeroff is concentrating in the vicinity of Bolja. The Cheeks in North Manchuria have decided to enter Zibaskal and have already occupied Manchuli.

Telegraphic communication with Irkutsk and all places westwards to Chliabinsk has been restored.

The Latest Treaty.

Amsterdam, Sept. 10.—A telegram from Berlin states that the Germano-Russian supplementary treaties signed provide for no delay in the appointment of delimitation commissions, with the provision of neutral zones. Germany undertakes not to support the formation of independent Russian states. Russia renounces sovereignty

over Esthonia and Livonia and receives a free harbour in the zones of Riga and Windau. Germany retains the occupation of the Caucasus. Russia agrees to the German recognition of the independence of Georgia and promises to supply Germany with a quarter of the Baku oil supplies. Russia pays Germany six milliard marks for indemnification of individual German losses, subject to counter-claims, whereof 1½ milliards are payable in five monthly instalments, partly in gold, partly in notes; one milliard in merchandise over eighteen months, 2½ milliards in German bonds before December 31st; one milliard by subsequent agreement.

The Turkish press protests against the German arrangement regarding the Caucasus and Georgia and strongly criticises the fact that the treaty was concluded without consulting Turkey.

Rainfall.

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

KRUNG DEB.

At Samudlaprakar Sept. 14 3.0 mm.
" Samuda Prakar " 15 24.0 "
" Samuda Prakar " 16 21.8 "
" Min. of L. & A. " 16 45.8 "

MONDOL KRUNG KAO.

At Ayudhya Sept. 13 15.4 "
" Angthong " 13 1.1 "
" Singhaburi " 13 6.9 "
" Lobburi " 13 15.2 "
" Angthong " 14 61.8 "
" Saraburi " 15 26.0 "

MONDOL NAGOR JAYSRI.

At Subarn Sept. 13 34.0 "
" Nagor Pathom " 16 5.9 "

MONDOL RAJABURI.

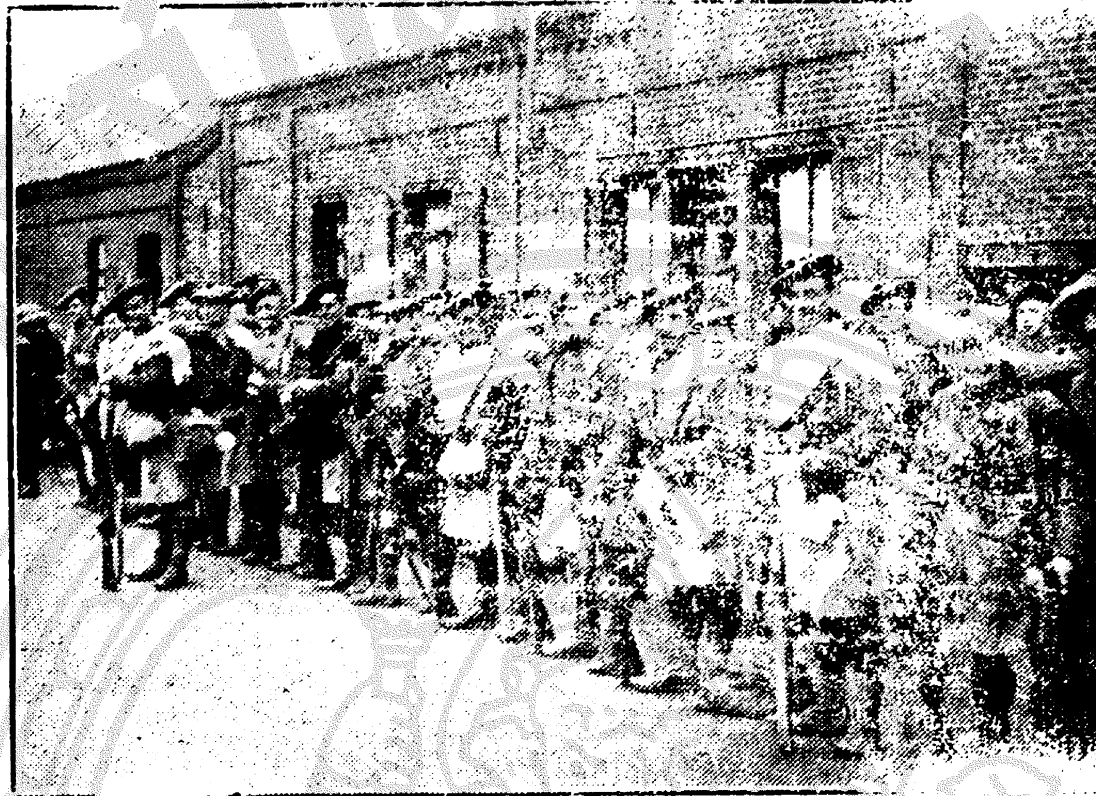
At Rajaburi Sept. 13 4.8 "
" Bejaburi " 13 43.8 "
" Prachin " 13 12.7 "

MONDOL PRACHIN.

At Chhuxong Sao Sept. 13 25.6 "
" Prachin " 13 22.6 "
" Nagor Nayok " 13 34.5 "
" Jolburi " 13 25.0 "
" Krabindra " 13 21.5 "

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" Udaya " 13 16.7 "
" Kambang Beja " 13 6.8 "
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