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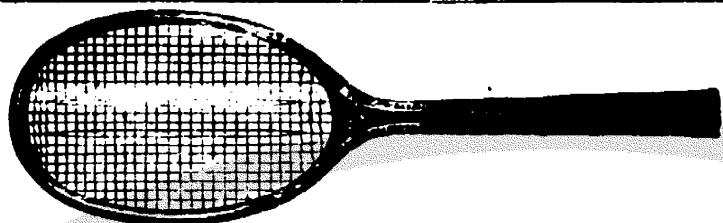
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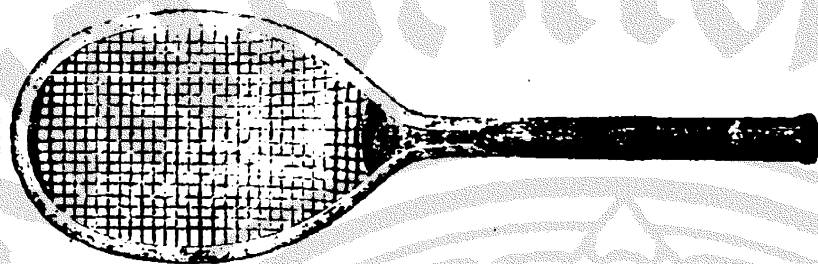


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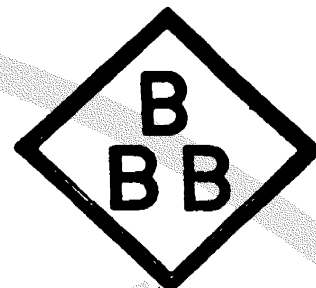
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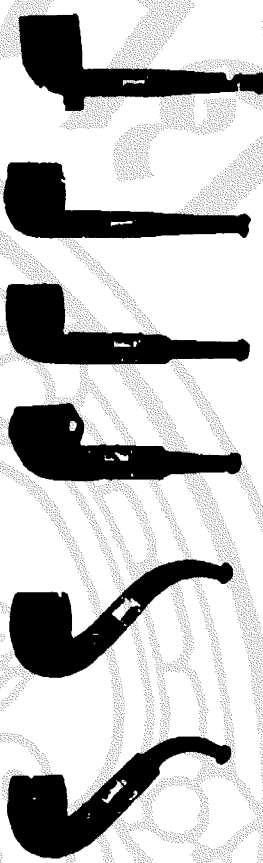
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Kanchanaburi:—The total area under cultivation is 29,700 rai, about 1,500 rai more than last year. The paddy is in better condition than last year. About 7,970 rai have been harvested yielding about 1,820 kwien.

The average local price of paddy is 56 bahts per kwien and that of rice is 1.2 baht per tang.

Prachuab:—The total area under cultivation is about 17,200 rai, the paddy is in better condition than last year. About 9,510 rai have been harvested yielding about 1,570 kwien.

The average local price of paddy is 53 bahts per kwien and that of rice is 1.75 baht per tang.

Mondol Prachin.

Chhachengao:—The total area under cultivation is 497,000 rai, about 12,600 rai less than last year. The paddy is in better condition than last year. About 471,750 rai have been harvested yielding about 121,880 kwien.

The average local price of paddy is 47 bahts per kwien and that of rice is 1.40 baht per tang.

Prachin:—The total area under cultivation is 321,000 rai, about 7,100 rai more than last year. The paddy is in better condition than last year. About 170,670 rai have been harvested yielding about 56,890 kwien.

The average local price of paddy is 53 bahts per kwien and that of rice is 1.32 baht per tang.

Nagor Nayok:—The total area under cultivation is 247,600 rai, about 102,500 rai more than last year. The paddy is in better condition than last year. About 167,480 rai have been harvested yielding about 40,200 kwien.

The average local price of paddy is 45 bahts per kwien and that of rice is 1.12 baht per tang.

Jolburi:—The total area under cultivation is 133,300 rai, about 3,100 rai more than last year. The paddy is in better condition than last year. About 133,420 rai have been harvested yielding about 29,450 kwien.

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

Krabiandra:—The total area under cultivation is 49,600 rai, about 18,000 rai more than last year. The paddy is in the same condition as last year. About 44,260 rai have been harvested yielding about 12,890 kwien.

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

Mondol Nagor Svarag.

Nagor Svarag:—The total area under cultivation is 223,500 rai, about 8,600 rai more than last year. The paddy is in better condition than last year. About 6,400 rai have been harvested yielding 2,540 kwien.

The average local price of paddy is 31 bahts per kwien and that of rice is 1.18 baht per tang.

Udya:—The total area under cultivation is 158,200 rai, about 18,200 rai, more than last year. The paddy is in better condition than last year. About 118,820 rai have been harvested yielding about 39,440 kwien.

The average local price of paddy is 39 bahts per kwien and that of rice is 1.12 baht per tang.

Jaynad:—The total area under cultivation is 156,200 rai, about 4,200 rai less than last year. The paddy is in better condition than last year. About 55,690 rai have been harvested yielding about 6,850 kwien.

The average local price of paddy is 45 bahts per kwien and that of rice is 1.37 baht per tang.

Kamlaeng Bejra:—The total area under cultivation is 40,800 rai, about 7,000 rai more than last year. The paddy is in better condition than last year. About 18,850 rai have been harvested yielding about 1,710 kwien.

The average local price of paddy is 40 bahts per kwien and that of rice is 1.12 baht per tang.

Tak:—The total area under cultivation is 31,500 rai, about 8,100 rai less than last year. The paddy is in better condition than last year. About 16,700 rai have been harvested yielding about 6,260 kwien.

The average local price of paddy is 41 bahts per kwien and that of rice is 1.25 baht per tang.

Between the 16th and the 22nd inst. the Krung Deb rice mills bought about 17,698 kwien of paddy which came in by river and about 759 kwien by rail, making a total of about 18,457 kwien (rice mill size). The prices at the mills of Kao Na-suan were from 74 to 90 bahts per kwien (rice millers' kwien).

Summary:—The total area under paddy is approximately 6,930,200 rai, about 481,000 rai more than last year. The area on which the crop has been totally destroyed by flood, drought, insect pests and other mischance is about 63,800 rai or less than 1 per cent of the whole. The crop has done well and some 3,071,000 rai or about 374,000 kwien having been reaped.

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Notice.

By permission of H. B. M's Minister A General Meeting of the British-Chinese Patriotic Organisation will be held at the old Court House of the British Legation on Thursday, 22nd February at 8.30 p.m. for the purpose of obtaining further funds for The British Red Cross Society.
All Chinese and Straits-born Chinese British Subjects are cordially invited.
British-Chinese Patriotic Organisation.
B. C. NESOH,
Honorary Secretary.
15-17

Menam Motor Boat Company, Ltd.

Notice is hereby given that the 18th Ordinary General Meeting of the Menam Motor Boat Company, Ltd. will be held at its Office Wat Ieb, on Thursday, 22nd February 1917 at 5 p.m. for the purpose of receiving and adopting the Directors' Report and Accounts for the year 1916, declaring a dividend and transacting other ordinary business.

By order of the Board,
FRED G. DE JESUS,
Secretary.
15-17



On Saturday, the 24th and Sunday, the 25th of March, the 2nd Bazaar in aid of the German Red Cross, preparations for which have begun already in November last, will be held on the grounds of the German Legation.

All details shall be made known later.
Bangkok, 11th February 1917.
Dr. E. REMY,
1. German Charge d'Affaires.
13-15

Notice.

Departures for the Chantaboon Coast will from 17-2-17 and henceforth take place on Saturdays and Wednesdays as previously.

The Siam Steam Navigation Company, Ltd.
14-16

General Average.

"Eurymachus", "Peleus",
"Ping Suey", "Oanta"
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The cargo ex above steamers having become the subject of General Average, consignees are requested to send all claims in connection therewith, whether for damaged or short delivered cargo without further delay to

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THE**Great War.****Russian Front.**

(REUTER'S TELEGRAM.)

London, Feb. 13.

Wireless Russian Official.—The enemy under cover of a snowstorm attacked northward of Kiselin and penetrated trenches but was driven out. The enemy crossed the ice on the Dniester and pressed back a field post. We counter-attacked regaining the positions.

White Star Liner Sunk.

(REUTER'S TELEGRAM.)

London, Feb. 14.

The White Star liner *Africa*, twelve thousand tons displacement, has been torpedoed. Seventeen of the crew are missing and five have been killed.

Germany and United States.

(REUTER'S TELEGRAM.)

London, Feb. 14.

Washington.—It is confirmed that Germany offered on the 11th February to negotiate with the United States regarding the submarine war provided that the "Commercial blockade against England is not interfered with."

Mr. Lansing replied that the United States would gladly discuss the matter provided Germany withdrew her proclamation of 31st January, but she cannot discuss the matter of the submarine of neutral vessels until Germany renounces her assurances of 4th May made after the torpedoing of the *Sussex*.

Neutrals Protest.

(HAVAS TELEGRAM.)

Paris, Feb. 13.

The "Morning Post's" correspondent at Shanghai asserts that China has decided to break off relations with Germany.

It is believed among official circles in London that the news is premature.

Lima.—The reply of Peru was forwarded yesterday. It declares that Peru cannot admit the German threat which is contrary to international law and the legitimate rights of neutrals.

Average Rate of Sinking.

(“S. O.” SPECIAL CORRESPONDENT.)

Singapore, Feb. 11.

Experts reckon that the average rate of sinking since the new campaign is 18,000 tons daily against 12,000 tons previously. This they say is not what the Germans hoped and is not enough for their purpose.

The American Housatonic.

London, Feb. 4.—The Housatonic was submerged at noon off the Scillys. The crew were rescued by a British armed steamer.

Amsterdam, Feb. 4.—A number of Dutch vessels have asked to be granted permission to proceed to sea at their own risk.

Washington, Feb. 4.—If it is proved the Housatonic was torpedoed without warning it will be difficult for America to avoid active hostility.

Washington Feb. 4.—The State Department has received a despatch from the American Consul at Plymouth that the Housatonic was fully warned and the crew was given an opportunity of safety before sinking.

Boston, Feb. 4.—The United States marshal has seized the Kronprinzessin Cecilie.

Allied Torpedoing.

Rome, Feb. 4.—A semi-official statement referring to the Austrian Note to the United States with regard to the allied torpedoing of a hospital ship and steamers without warning in the Adriatic, states the former was a regrettable accident partly due to their not flying the prescribed flag. The ship was not sunk and the casualties were very slight. The transports were torpedoed close to land, contrasting with the enemy sinkings at open sea and the abandonment of crews.

PAUDY REPORT FOR FEB. 14

Nasuan 2570 Coyans at Tcs	70,80	each
Samruang 240	68/71	"
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Total Coyans	3110	"

LOCAL AND GENERAL.

TO-DAY'S telegrams appear on page 8.

THE Borneo Co., Ltd. have a new notice to consignees.

THE Siam Auctioneering Co. will sell the household furniture of Mrs. S. W. Cousins on Saturday the 17th February.

It is notified that the 18th ordinary general meeting of the Menam Motor Boat Co., Ltd. will be held on Thursday, 22nd February.

THEY run all pony races in Hongkong and there are 30 entered for the Hongkong Derby, the number in other races reaching 47. Ten races on each of three days and an Off Day.

THE s.s. *Kajan*, will leave from Ban Seng Chiang Wharf at 4 a.m. sharp, on Saturday the 17th inst., and should arrive in Singapore on Wednesday morning.

THE new issue of the "Almanach de Gotha" publishes a list of nobles fallen in the war, which includes 258 counts, 587 barons, and 1,465 members of lower orders of nobility.

THE following passengers arrived yesterday by the s.s. *Katong*: Dr. H. Campbell Hickey, Mr. W. G. Symonds, Mr. E. Watkins, Mr. de Castelleberg, Mr. R. Grimshaw, Mr. T. Kenki and Mr. Huski.

THE Bangkok Auctioneering Society (T. S. Apsar) will sell by auction on Saturday the 17th inst. a large stock of whisky, a Saigon made dog-cart, iron bedsteads and a lot of other articles at their rooms in New Road.

A general meeting of the British-Chinese Patriotic Organisation will be held at the old Court House of the British Legation on Thursday, 22nd February in connection with the British Red Cross Society.

GREEK shipowners are losing (Jan. 2) enormous sums in consequence of the blockade and the detention of Greek steamships. There are under the Greek flag over 200 steamers, each of above 20,000 tons dead weight carrying capacity, engaged in general carrying. At current freight rates these vessels have an earning capacity of over £100,000 a day.

A SON of Count Plunkett, who has been elected M. P. for North Roscommon, in succession to Mr. J. J. O'Kelly (Nationalist) was sentenced to death and executed for participation in the rebellion in Ireland. Two other sons of Count Plunkett had the death sentences passed upon them committed to ten years' penal servitude. The Count's title was conferred upon him by Pope Leo XIII.

Departures.

The following are leaving by the s.s. *Katong* to-morrow morning:—Mr. and Mrs. M. S. Smith, Mr. F. C. Bannam and Mr. J. F. Teifer.

Mr. Grimshaw, Mr. de Castelleberg and Mr. H. S. Fairchild are leaving by the s.s. *Kajan* sailing on Saturday.

Race Lotteries.

The prices realized at last night's lotteries are as follow:—

1st Race, Siamese Ponies.—Un Chon Tcs. 75, San Chai Tcs. 45, Plawng Tcs. 75, Ottappa Tcs. 20, Ling Deng Tcs. 35, Thong Chai Tcs. 90, Sang Chan Tcs. 40, Hirun Ratana Tcs. 40, Bluff Tcs. 25. Total Tcs. 745.

Second sheet on 1st Race.—Un Chon Tcs. 55, San Chai Tcs. 60, Plawng Tcs. 35, Ottappa Tcs. 20, Ling Deng Tcs. 45, Thong Chai Tcs. 95, Sang Chan Tcs. 25, Hirun Ratana Tcs. 20, Bluff Tcs. 8. Total Tcs. 632.

2nd Race, Australian Sub. Griffins.—Lily E. Tcs. 100, Yot Rak Tcs. 70, Red Star Tcs. 10, Khanda Tcs. 65, Plane Jane Tcs. 11, Molly Tcs. 13, Reve d'Ore Tcs. 60. Total Tcs. 629.

Second sheet on 2nd Race.—Lily E. Tcs. 100, Yot Rak Tcs. 75, Red Star Tcs. 10, Khanda Tcs. 85, Plane Jane Tcs. 13, Molly Tcs. 6, Reve d'Ore Tcs. 60. Total Tcs. 649.

3rd Race, Australian Ponies.—Nai Pradiht Tcs. 40, Aminta Tcs. 20, Nai Chan Tcs. 110, Icaro Tcs. 60, Kop Tcs. 60, Sandily Tcs. 80. Total Tcs. 670.

Second sheet on 3rd Race.—Nai Pradiht Tcs. 45, Aminta Tcs. 25, Nai Chan Tcs. 80, Icaro Tcs. 35, Kop Tcs. 65, Sandily Tcs. 70. Total Tcs. 620.

4th Race, Australian Ponies.—Marie L. Tcs. 130, Flirt Tcs. 70, Thong Dee Tcs. 70, Buffalo Bill Tcs. 45, Sunflower Tcs. 45, Iownit Tcs. 45. Total Tcs. 705.

Second sheet on 4th Race.—Marie L. Tcs. 100, Flirt Tcs. 50, Thong Dee Tcs. 75, Buffalo Bill Tcs. 40, Sunflower Tcs. 75, Iownit Tcs. 20. Total Tcs. 660.

5th Race, Australian Sub. Griffins.—Silver Cross Tcs. 110, Yot Rak Tcs. 90, Betty Tcs. 45. Total Tcs. 545.

Washington, Feb. 6.—The Senate, after a heated discussion, passed by 62 votes to 19, over the President's veto, the Immigration Bill containing the literacy test to which Mr. Wilson objected. As the measure has already passed the House it now becomes law. It has been thought for twenty years, and vetoed by three Presidents.

The Late Chao Phya Prasadech.

It is our melancholy duty to-day to record the demise of His Excellency Chao Phya Prasadech who was up till last year Minister for Religious Affairs and Education. The deceased was the eldest son of the late H. S. H. Prince Prap Parapaks, formerly Minister of the Navy, a Prince who both socially and officially was held in high respect. When quite young the late Chao Phya went to foreign parts in connection with the diplomatic interests of Siam. We believe he passed through various appointments in this branch till he became Minister to the Court of St. James when he was Phya Visutthi Suriyasakdi. On his return from Europe he was appointed Under-Secretary in the Ministry of Religious Affairs and Education and open the death of the late Chao Phya Vichit Wongsa Wadhikrai, he became Minister. About four years ago deceased was raised to the rank of Chao Phya at the same time his brother, the present Minister of the Household, was given the same rank. A couple of years ago owing to failing health deceased was obliged to go for a change of air to Java and Japan. On his return it was observed that his health had not benefited and last year he retired from public service. It was hoped that a rest from his labours would help him to recuperate but unfortunately it was not to be so and last night he passed away deeply mourned by all his friends and relatives to whom he had endeared himself by his kind and gentle ways. Deceased was 50 years of age.

The Submarine War.

A Spa-m of Sinkings.

London, Feb. 7.—The Admiralty says that the Port Adelaide, carrying passengers from London for Australia, was torpedoed without warning on Saturday. The passengers were landed at Vigo. The Peruvian sailing ship Lorton was submerged on Monday in Spanish territorial waters.

The Admiralty comments that these incidents emphasise the withdrawal of Germany's pledge to the United States not to sink passenger ships without warning and their claim of consideration for neutrals.

London, Feb. 7.—The sinkings reported in February are 53 of which 22 aggregating 54,600 tons have been in the past twenty-four hours. The latter figure includes thirteen British and surprises some of the German raiders' victims. There is no great anxiety as it was anticipated the daily average of sinkings would be raised for a short period.

London, Feb. 7.—Sinkings: Seven British and five Norwegian, one Swedish, one Spanish, one Danish one Russian.

Vigo, Feb. 7.—The survivors landed from the Dutch ship mentioned yesterday were not from Brazil but comprised eighty-nine crew and seven passengers of the British ship Port Adelaide (whose captain was taken prisoner by the submarine) and 66 seamen of three Norwegian ships.

London, Feb. 7.—In the House of Commons Admiral Sir Hedworth Meux declared there is every reason to hope the same success attending the destruction of Zeppelins was in a fair way to being realized in countering submarines.

London, Feb. 5.—Sinking: Steamers Isle of Arran (British), Gamma (Dutch), Ymer and Heimland first (Norwegian), Helican (Greek), Butron, Dodosen-viembre and Algorta (Spanish), also a British trawler, and a Russian barquentine. Ten Norwegians and three Spaniards were drowned.

London, Feb. 6.—Sinkings: Steamer Hurstwood (British); barque Garnet Hill (Russian). Four of the Hurstwood's crew were killed. The Danish steamer Larsen is believed to have been sunk. She had a cargo of maize for the Belgian Relief Commission.

The sinking was contrary to the German assurance to the American and Spanish ministers at Brussels that Belgian relief ships should not be interfered with. Eight relief ships are now at sea and thirty are held up at various ports. Should they be delayed another week, many people in Belgium and North France must starve.

London, Feb. 6.—The Admiralty says the Captain of the American steamer Westwego reports that on Jan. 31 a submarine ineffectively fired five shots at him west of the Fastnet. The submarine commander demanded oil and threatened to sink the ship if it was refused. The Admiralty comments that the German claim of consideration for neutrals is not strengthened by this incident.

The Late Lord Cromer.

Cairo, Feb. 5.—A memorial service to Lord Cromer was held at All Saints' Church, the Bishop of Jerusalem officiating. The High Commissioner, representatives of the Sultan, ministers and diplomats and a representative congregation were present. The last post was sounded and the scene in the courtyard and church was very impressive.

London, Feb. 5.—The death has occurred of the composer Paul Kubens. London, Feb. 5.—The death is announced of Lord Harrington.

Items of Interest.

Athens, Feb. 1.—Bread tickets are being issued.

London, Feb. 7.—The increase in exports is £10,103,375 compared with January of last.

Washington, Feb. 9.—Great Britain and France have granted a safe conduct for Count Bernstorff and staff.

Paris, Feb. 8.—In the Senate the Government introduced a bill empowering the taking over of building and any enterprise.

London, Feb. 7.—The Lloyd George conspiracy trial has been postponed. It is understood that it is to be transferred to the Old Bailey.

Rio Janeiro, Feb. 7.—The Bolivian Minister formally notified Baron Muller that Bolivia unreservedly supports Brazil's policy towards Germany.

London, Feb. 7.—The Admiralty states that Lord Lytton has been appointed additional Parliamentary Secretary representing the Admiralty in the House of Lords.

Amsterdam, Feb. 7.—The Bayer Company's great aniline factory at Leverkusen, Germany, has been blown up. Two streets were destroyed and many people killed.

Paris, Feb. 7.—The authorities are closing all theatres and entertainment for four days a week and curtailing tramway and railway services so as to economise coal.

Rome, Feb. 7.—The Duke of the Abruzzi has been relieved of the command of the fleet at his own request for reasons of health. Vice Admiral Thaou Dorevel, Chief of the Naval Staff, succeeds him.

Amsterdam, Feb. 8.—German papers state a council has been formed in Brussels for the purpose of considering steps for the introduction of the full autonomy of the Flemish people.

Amsterdam, Feb. 7.—The newspaper Les Nouvelles states that an explosion wrecked the Nobel dynamite factory at Schleibschmannfort. Hitherto 200 dead, mostly women, have been recovered.

Amsterdam, Feb. 4.—Falkenhayn has arrived at Meunster where a large German force is concentrated. A military train collided with a passenger train at Herzogenrath, between Dueseldorf and Aachen; a hundred were killed and injured.

London, Feb. 7.—Reuter's correspondent at French headquarters visited the Army of Lorraine and found the men most fit, despite the snow and frost, which was at zero at night time. The health was even improved, compared with wet weather, owing to the numerous special precautions taken.

Amsterdam, Feb. 7.—The Voetsische Zeitung says that the seventy-two Americans, prisoners aboard the Yarrowdale, were released on declaring that they were unaware when they joined the vessel that armed merchantmen were regarded by Germany as warships.

London, Feb. 6.—Dublin University by-election resulted in Mr. Samuel, K.C., 1481; Sir Robert Woods, 769. At North Roscommon Count Plunkett had 3022 votes, Mr. Du-vine (official nationalist) 1708; Mr. Tully 687.

For Rotherham the ex-M.P. Mr. Arthur Richardson was returned unopposed.

Amsterdam, Feb. 6.—The Telegraaf says what America said to Germany, we must say. The moment may arrive at any time to say it as strongly as Wilson.

The Turkish Cabinet is Sheikh ul Islam, Mousa Kiazim Efendi; foreign minister, Nessim Bey; War, Enver Pasha; Marine, Djemal Pasha.

Amsterdam, Feb. 4.—The Kaiser in an army order announces the promotion of the Crown Prince to the rank of a general of infantry in recognition of the "joyful, indefatigable and loyal fulfilment of your duty, earning the confidence and love of the troops under your command."

Calcutta, Jan. 15.—A Press communiqué has been issued by the Commerce and Industry Department stating that the price of oil in tins will be raised by ten annas per two tin unit in order to substitute the sale of oil in bulk instead of tins, thus decreasing the tin-plate imports from Great Britain. The price of oil itself is unchanged.

London, Feb. 6.—The conference of employers and cotton spinners at Manchester yesterday considered the spinners demand of twenty per centum advance in wages. The employers offered an advance of ten per centum. The operatives, representing fifty thousand workers, declined the offer. It is believed that the dispute will be referred to the Committee of Production.

A Dutch Calamity.

Batavia, Feb. 5.—In view of the new German submarineism the mail and cargo steamers which had already sailed have been ordered to put in at the nearest Dutch Indian port and await orders from Holland.

Washington, Feb. 5.—Mr. Hoover, chairman of the Belgian Relief Commission, states that the transportation by commission has been suspended. The Commission ships at Indian and other ports are instructed to await orders. It is hoped that transportation will be resumed soon.

London, Feb. 5.—The Admiralty says the Dutch steamship Gamma was proceeding from New York to Amsterdam with a cargo of 6000 tons for the Netherlands Government when a German submarine on Thursday opened fire with her gun and subsequently sank her by bombs. It will be interesting to learn what distortion of international law Germany will employ in justification of this.

London, Dec. 5.—The Admiralty states: The survivors of the British steamer Keston report that the ship was sunk by shell fire from a submarine. As the crew abandoned the sinking ship the submarine shelled their boats. The Master and three seamen were killed and the second mate was severely injured. The list included a Baltimore seaman.

London, Feb. 5.—The Admiralty says the City of Birmingham was torpedoed without warning on Nov. 27, when 126 miles from land. The crew numbered 145 and passengers 170, of whom ninety were women and children. There was a heavy swell running but the boats were lowered within ten minutes of the explosion. The captain remained on board till the ship sank but was picked up later. The women were as calm as when going to meals and sang in the boats. The doctor and three of the crew were presumably drowned.

London, Feb. 5.—A German wireless press message to day announces the "General satisfaction of Dutch shipping all over the world at the change in the boundary of the barred zone and the opening of a danger free road to Dutch ships." This is described as a new proof of Germany taking an interest in neutral consideration.

The Hague, Feb. 6.—Holland has demanded explanations from Germany as to the sinking of the Gamma.

The Shackleton Survivors.

Wellington, Feb. 5.—The rescue ship Aurora has wirelessed that she has relieved seven of the surviving members of the Shackleton Expedition marooned in Ross Sea. Three others perished. The Aurora is due here on Feb. 10.

The marooned men on Ross Island, in the Antarctic, will in all probability have found food enough for their wants in the storehouse provided for such a contingency by previous explorers on the great ice barrier; but when Sir Ernest Shackleton arrives in the Aurora—as he probably will early in the New Year—they will be literally famishing for news of the great war. Hostilities had been in progress for barely four months when they left Tasmania for the Ross Sea, where they were to meet Shackleton's party had it succeeded in crossing the Antarctic continent from the Weddell Sea, and since then no news has reached them from the outside world; and from the first week of May 1915, when the Aurora drifted north in a fierce storm, they have been marooned on Ross Island, and any attempt to rescue them has been impossible until now. Sir Ernest himself was marooned on a floating iceberg after the Endurance was smashed by the ice, but eventually he and his party reached Elephant Island, partly on the iceberg, and partly in a small open boat. His subsequent trip in the open boat through the floating ice to South Georgia, and his three heroic efforts to take succor to those left behind on Elephant Island, are amongst the most thrilling records of Polar exploration. With good luck he should complete his task by bringing back the Ross Island party, and be home again in England by next April, in time, perhaps, to take a hand in the last stages of the war, the first of which were being fired before the white cliffs of England had faded from his gaze as he began his voyage south in the first days of August 1914. (D.C.)

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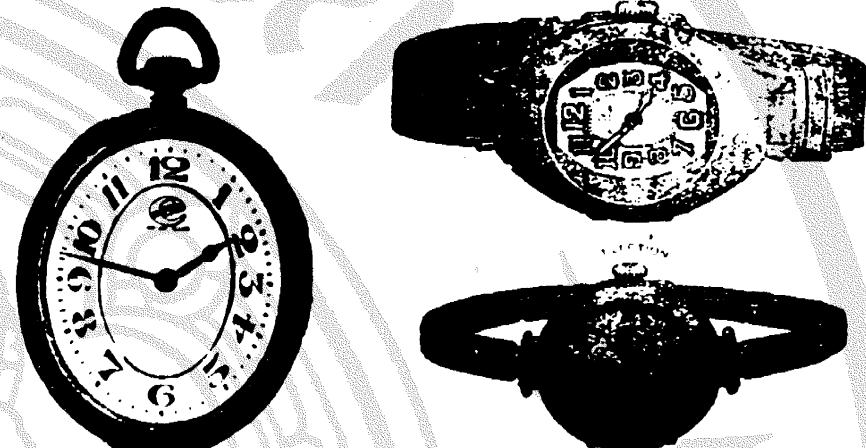
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Measure of Protestation.

Washington, Feb. 8.—The resolution ratifying the rupture with Germany is generally supported with the exception of a few Republican Pacificists. Senator Lodge, who was the bitterest opponent of Wilson in the past, urged his colleagues to show that the people are united in supporting the Government in this grave question. All the speakers are pledged to give unquestioning support to the Government in the event of war.

Washington, Feb. 8.—The outward calm of the nation conceals tremendous secret preparations for war. Soldiers are drilling on the latest European methods. It is stated that General Pershing's force, which has returned from Mexico is one of the most perfectly equipped in the world. Throughout eleven months in Mexico it practised hand grenade battles, advancing behind barbed wire, entrenching, repelling attacks with fleets of aeroplanes accompanied by caterpillar tractors, somewhat resembling tanks.

Spain, Holland, S. America &c. Madrid, Feb. 9.—Spain's reply to the German proclamation of unrestricted submarine warfare says it made a very painful impression tranquilly (?) but it firmly protests against unprecedented warfare contrary to the principles observed by all other nations at even their most violent moments. It refuses to admit the legitimacy of such warfare and does not doubt that Germany will find a means of satisfying the demands of Spain, who is bound to protect the lives of her subjects and maintain the integrity of her sovereignty.

The Hague, Feb. 8.—In the States General the Premier said that government has energetically protested against the latest German submarineism. It does not intend to depart from its neutrality but does not desert from its resolve to resist by force of armed violation of its territory.

Buenos Aires, Feb. 8.—The Government replied to Germany regretting that the Emperor has considered such extreme measures necessary, and declaring that the Government will base its conduct, as always, on fundamental principles of international law.

Berne, Feb. 8.—Switzerland has agreed to take charge of German interests in the United States.

Christiania, Feb. 8.—The Norwegian Government has replied to the appeal of the United States that it cannot adhere to the latter's action towards Germany, adding that the three Scandinavian Kingdoms are now discussing their attitude on the basis of international law.

American Questions.

Amsterdam, Feb. 8.—The Vienna correspondent of the Allgemeine Zeitung states that the American ambassador is still conferring with the Foreign Minister with a view to the continuance of Austro-American relations.

Amsterdam, Feb. 9.—A telegram from Berlin rather discounts the strange Copenhagen story of Feb. 8 and states that Mr. Gerard's departure is not fixed because a batch of passports is not ready.

Washington, Feb. 8.—The Secretary for War in a statement admits that at various Philippine harbours, Colon and Panama, parts of machinery have been removed from German merchantmen.

New York, Feb. 8.—Information regarding the disabling of the interned German ships is conflicting. It is now authoritatively stated that they are not irreparably damaged, but sufficiently so to disable them temporarily. The New York World says that vital parts of the machinery have been removed to safe places of hiding. One of the big liners can be repaired in less than six months.

New York, Feb. 7.—The Government has ordered a thorough enquiry into the manner of the killing of the American negro seaman Wallace in the sinking of the Evestone.

New York.—Testing the sixteen inch guns at Sandy Hook caused a panic, thousands of Long Island thinking it a German bombardment. They were quickly reassured. The new National League of Women's Service met at the Vanderbilt residence and planned an organisation of women in the event of war.

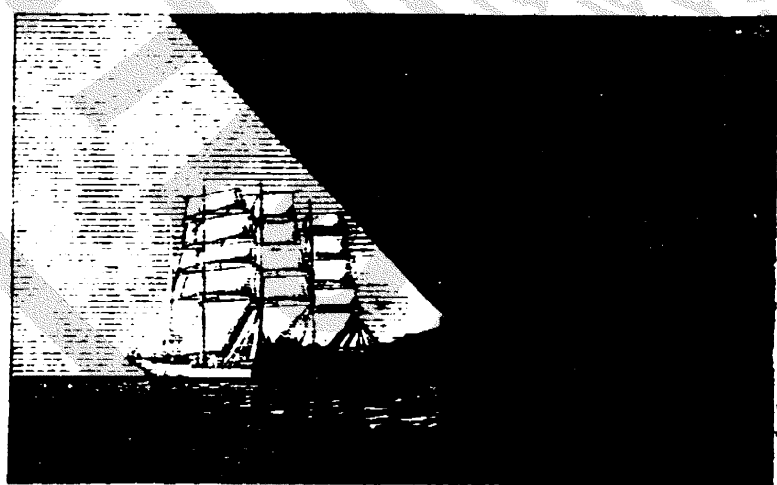
The Sinking of the "California."

London, Feb. 8.—The California carried passengers and mails. The survivors state that 13 passengers and 28 crew are missing. Four persons were killed and 20 injured. They state two submarines attacked the ship.

The California was 1,600 tons. The Second Officer states she left New York on Jan. 29 with 32 passengers and 173 crew. She was torpedoed on the morning of Feb. 7. There was a terrific shock. The boats were lowered and the passengers behaved splendidly. Members of the crew assert that there was a submarine on each side of the liner and escape was impossible. The captain remained on the ship until she foundered and was subsequently picked up. No warning was given and the ship sank in seven minutes. The survivors were rescued in an hour but lost everything. The missing include the Chief Engineer and the third officer and third Engineer.

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London, Feb. 3. — Marshal Haig reports: We drove off an attack in the neighbourhood of Beaucourt and advanced slightly westward of le Transloy. We pushed forward eastward of Beaucourt last night on a front of three-quarters of a mile to a depth of five hundred yards taking a hundred prisoners and three machine-guns. We heavily repulsed two counter-attacks on Sunday and twice entered the German trenches southeast of Sanchez and bombarded several dugouts.

London, Feb. 4.—Wireless: German Official: English attacks northward of Beaumont broke down but a detachment penetrated our front trenches near the north bank of the Ancre. We repulsed Russian attacks on the Aa.

London, Feb. 4.—French Communique: Our aeroplanes heavily bombed cantonments and railways at Appilly and Tergniers and munition works at Thionville.

London, Feb. 4.—Wireless : Russian Official : We repulsed several attacks on the East side of the Tirul swamp between the Tirul swamp and the Aa. The Germans broke into our trenches eastward of the Kalncem road but our counter-attack restored our positions.

Petrograd, Feb. 4 —At a palace banquet to the Allied delegates the Tsar declared the task of the delegates would effectively contribute to hasten a definite victory.

Progress on Tigris.
London, Feb. 5.—Wireless. German Official. Our counterattack against the English regained the greater part of the lost trenches east of Beaucourt. We took prisoner a hundred. A strong English attack north of Beaucourt failed. Strong enemy forces repeatedly assaulted from east of Grandcourt to south of Puy. Fighting is proceeding on the road from Beaulencourt to Gneudecourt.

London, Feb. 5.—French communique: An enemy coup de main in the region of Barleux south of the Somme was repulsed with losses. We took prisoners. We made several raids on the enemy's lines without loss, notably in the sector of Chambrettes, north of Pont a Mousson and in Alsace and brought back material and prisoners.

A French air-squadron bombed the aerodrome at Colmar in Alsace and military factories at Rombach and railway-stations at Chauny, Ham and Appily, causing a fire at the last-named.

London, Feb. 6.—Marshal Haig: We repulsed three attempted raids on the Somme front.

The local operation we carried out yesterday night to the northeastward of Gneudecourt was entirely successful. We occupied five hundred yards of

trench and took prisoner seventy-two. We repulsed two counterattacks. We entered the lines yesterday night at three points in the neighbourhood of Bouchavesnes, Pys and Grandcourt.

The enemy made four unsuccessful counterattacks on the new front eastward of Beaucourt and our positions were consolidated. We captured a further thirty nine.

A party reached our lines northeastward of Vermelles but was ejected. Three German aeroplanes were destroyed and six driven down damaged. One of ours is missing.

London, Feb. 6.—French communique: A coup de main on Reichackerkopf resulted in the capture of a machinegun and sixteen prisoners.

London, Feb. 5.—Mesopotamia official. On the night of Friday, our cavalry reached a point on the right bank of the Tigris twenty five miles west of Kut-el-Amara opposite the Tur-

west of Kut-el-Amara opposite the Turkish advanced base. On Saturday west of the Hai Tigris junction was captured three successive lines of trenches on a 650 yards front to four hundred yards depth inflicting heavy losses. We now control the mouth of the Hai opposite Kut-el-Amara.

London, Feb. 7.—A French communiqué says: There have been lively artillery duels in Belgium in the sector of Paschendaele. German organisations in various sectors on the right of the Meuse were effectively bombed.

London, Feb. 6.—Marshal Haig reports: We advanced our line in the neighbourhood of Grandcourt where a thousand yards of trench were occupied unopposed. A further forty-eight prisoners were taken eastward of Beau-court.

Our aircraft bombed an enemy aerodrome doing considerable damage. Two British aeroplanes were brought down and two of the enemy's driven down damaged.

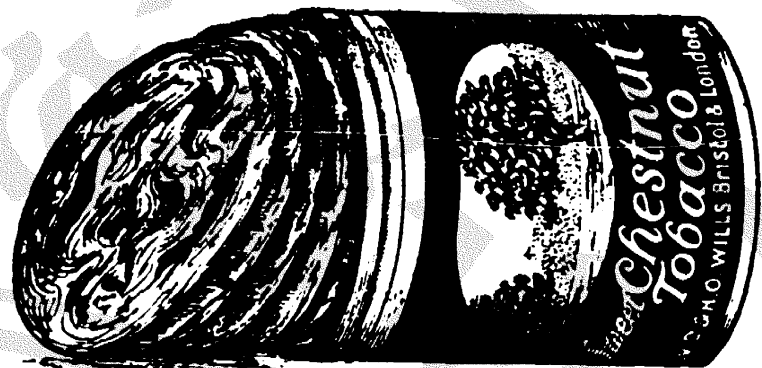
London, Feb. 6.—A Russian communiqué says: We repulsed an enemy attack near the town of Risselin midway between Vladimir Volynsk and Lutsk and also enemy attempts southwest of Brody.

Mesopotamia.
London, Feb. 6.—Mesopotamia Official: As a result of Saturday's success the enemy evacuated the whole south bank of the Tigris eastward of the Hai-

bank of the Tigris eastward of the Hai-Tigris junction which we now occupy. The enemy westward of the Hai evacuated their trenches as far as a line west from the liquorice factory to northwest of the Tigris-Hai junction. We have already counted six hundred dead as a result of Saturday's fighting.

Italy.
London, Feb. 6.—Wireless. Italian official: Enemy surprise attacks in darkness and fog against our advanced
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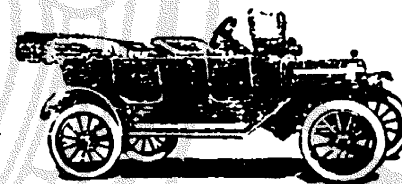
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THE Great War.

British Progress.

(REUTER'S TELEGRAM.)

London, Feb. 13.

Marshal Haig reports: We made further progress yesterday night in the neighbourhood of Beaumont-Puiseux road and occupied six hundred yards of trenches without difficulty.

(Havas Telegram.)

Paris, Feb. 13.

We dispersed a strong German patrol party in the Asbach sector.

The British made progress north of the Ancre along the Beaumont road and occupied 600 metres of trenches.

Various.

(Havas Telegram.)

Paris, Feb. 13.

Official.—A decree gives General Guillaumin charge of the direction of all the aeronautic services.

General Lyautey has laid before the Chamber a measure for the calling up of the 1918 class.

London.—The House of Commons have adopted credits for 500 million pounds bringing the credits up to 1,950 millions, the total for the financial year.

Britain's Supplies.

London, Feb. 5.—The Press Bureau notifies that Mr. Neville Chamberlain, in accordance with the War Cabinet's decision, is instructing every Government department to cancel forthwith all exemptions of men up to and including twenty-two years of age fit for general military service, but scheduling as temporarily exempt those employed in the production of steel, agriculture, mines, quarries, railwayshops, transport and shipyards.

London, Feb. 5.—The Union Insurance Society of Canton has taken up £1,000,000 of the War Loan.

Chicago, Feb. 6.—Produce prices advanced sharply. There are reports that loading and shipping provisions at all yards will continue as fast as supplies reach the seaboard.



BRITISH OFFICIAL PHOTOGRAPH TAKEN ON THE WESTERN FRONT.

A German Colonel, a Major and an Adjutant, Captured near St. Pierre Division.

The Battle Fronts.

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positions in the Gard, Travignolo and Sempellegrino valleys, on the central Isonzo, and also at a point southeast of Gorizia, failed with heavy losses.

Hard Pushing in Flanders.

London, Feb. 9.—Our gain on the Ancre since the New Year represents an advance at an average of three quarters of a mile on every three miles of front.

We raided trenches southward of Bouchavesnes killing a number and dugouts were bombed.

We repulsed two attempted raids in the neighbourhood of Guedecourt and La Bassee.

There was considerable reciprocal artillery near Armentieres and at

Ypres. A large explosion was caused in the enemy's lines.

Paris, Feb. 7.—A correspondent of *Liberte* describing the British operations on the Somme states: Their two latest successes north of the Ancre, though of a local character, distinctly improved the position before Bapaume.

Simultaneously by a fine attack north-east of Guedecourt they easily obtained their objectives in half an hour with very small losses. The Germans attempted a stiff fight but were unable to withstand the torrent for a moment.

The new fortress at Transloy is threatened with annihilation, hence the violent German counter-attacks which failed completely. The cannonade on the whole of the British front is very intense and the effects of the activity of the British artillery will soon be

apparent.

Paris, Feb. 9.—Grandcourt is the latest of the series of British nibblings at German lines in the west. It is the fifty-third village the Anglo-French have retaken since July 1st. These gains are producing a growing enemy nervousness and jumpiness. The report describes the newest form of attack which is continuous and general instead of a specially localised bombardment. It no longer enables the enemy to discover where the bomb-carrying parties are creeping up under cover of the artillery and are likely to burst in on the dugouts.

Other Communiqués.

London, Feb. 9.—Wireless. Belgian Official: A strong party of Germans attacked our posts southward of Dixmude but were met by a rifle and

machine-gun fire and were decimated. The survivors surrendered. Numerous corps were heaped up before the trenches and some were brought in.

London, Feb. 8.—Wireless. German Official: The British attacked north-east of Bouchavesnes but their initial success was equalised by our counter-attack.

London, Feb. 8.—Italian Official: Enemy attacks on the right bank of the Brenta and at Mount Freikofel failed.

London, Feb. 8.—A French communiqué says: There was lively grenading and artillery attacks in the region of Hill 304 and Avocourt Wood. A French aeroplane bombed military establishments at Lahr, in the Grand-duchy of Baden. A French air-squadron bombed the aerodrome at Marinkerke.

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