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" " " " 29 " "
" " " " 6 May "
" " " " 13 " "
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LEAVING SINGAPORE.

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The British Front.

London, April 14.—The British communiqué says that the enemy on Tuesday night raided our trenches near Laboisselle after a heavy bombardment with large tear shells but were driven out. We lost a few prisoners. The enemy yesterday night thrice attacked and reached our trenches northeast of Carpooy but were driven back leaving some dead in the trenches. A few men working on our front wire entanglements are missing. Some shelling took place to-day about Mouchez, Garenzy, Hohenzollern Redoubt and St. Eloi. We retaliated. The enemy to-day exploded a small mine in the Hohenzollern Redoubt. No damage. There was trench mortar activity in this section and Arras to-day.

In Russian Regions.

London, April 14.—A Petrograd communiqué states that after artillery preparations the Germans attempted to approach Ikskull bridgehead but were repulsed. The Germans west of Lake Narotch, supported by artillery attacked from the village of Mokristea with small detachments, followed by strong columns. Our artillery dispersed these attacks and the Germans retired to their own trenches. The Turks in Asia Minor have fruitlessly attempted to regain their lost ground, using poisonous liquids.

Floods on The Tigris.

London, April 13.—Sir Percy Lake reports that the weather is very bad and there was a hurricane yesterday with torrents of rain. The floods on both banks of the Tigris are increasing.

Absolute Contraband.

London, April 13.—Gold silver and paper monies and securities are included in the latest list of absolute contraband.

Death of American Novelist.

London, April 13.—The death has occurred of the well-known American writer Richard Harding Davis.

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All Staked on Verdun.

Considerable uneasiness exists in Budapest in view of the disappointing results up to now of the German offensive against Verdun. The people here have been accustomed to something quite different on the part of the German and Austro-Hungarian armies when they decide on an offensive on a scale of this kind, and as two weeks have passed already since the German attacks began some anxiety is being expressed.

It is duly noted that the inner fortified zone of Verdun has not been reached, that the chief element of success, namely, surprise was lacking, and that the losses must necessarily be very heavy. Yet it must not be inferred that the German efforts will diminish in violence or that they will put up with an inglorious knock-out without exerting every means at their disposal.

A friend of mine who is serving at the Italian front says in a letter that half the 12-inch heavy guns have been taken away from his neighbourhood, and it is reported that railway traffic through Galicia has been disorganised for the last week to a great extent. People who wanted to go to Berlin and had their passports vised have been advised not to go till further notice, for the Oder-Berlin line does not carry passengers just now, no doubt because great movements of troops are taking place on the Russian front.

Other information goes to prove that the Germans are in deadly earnest, and are still persisting in their offensive in the west, even now after two weeks of comparative failure.

A Hungarian "Journal" in Berlin says the Germans know that the Verdun battle is one of those which will decide the war, for the Germans know that if they lose the loss will have far-reaching strategic results. It will cost them from 200,000 to 300,000 men at a time when such men are invaluable, and may end in a loss of prestige, a weakening of moral, and of the antagonism of neutrals, who are waiting for the supreme moment when the star of the Central Empires begins to fade. Just because this is the case is no stone being left unturned, everything is being sacrificed to Verdun.

Military circles here point out that it is essential, in view of the German efforts at Verdun, to keep an adequate number of troops all along the western front, and that such a measure requires at least a million men, who have to be found somewhere. They even suggest as a grave possibility that if the issues are not brought to a settlement soon it will be necessary for the Germans to send Austro-Hungarian troops to the western front.

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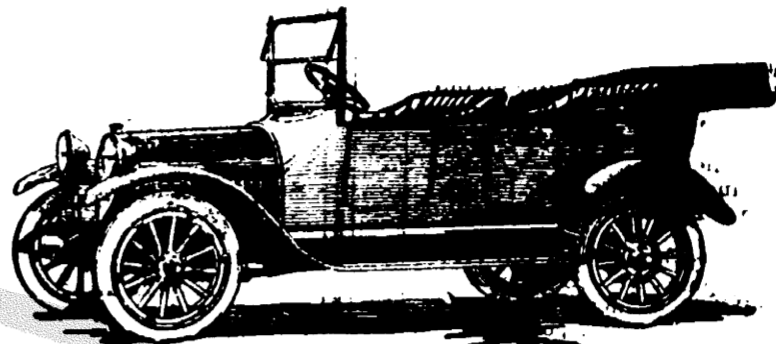
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By order of the Board.

FRED. G. DE JESUS,

Secretary.

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Notice.

The Nineteenth General Meeting of the Shareholders of the Siam Commercial Bank Ltd., will be held at its office on Thursday the 4th May 1916, at 5 p.m. for the purpose of receiving and adopting the Directors' report and accounts, declaring a dividend and transacting other ordinary business.

By order of the Board of Directors.

A. WILLEKE,

Secretary.

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Notice.

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NOTICE is hereby given that Friday the 21st inst. (Good Friday), will be observed as a Holiday in the Customs Service.

By order of the Director General.

CUSTOM HOUSE.

14th April 1916.

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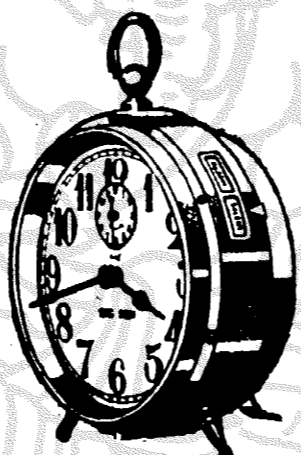
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THE Great War.**Around Verdun.**

(REUTER'S TELEGRAM.)

London, April 18.

Paris.—The communiqué says that there was only artillery activity near Verdun, which was intense at Avocourt and on the front from Deadman hill to Cumieres.

The Italian Front.

(REUTER'S TELEGRAM.)

London, April 18.

Rome.—The communiqué states that there were generally minor operations. The Italians after daring attacks in the east of Montefalco captured new advanced positions, a score of prisoners and ammunition.

Russians Nearing Trebizond.

(REUTER'S TELEGRAM.)

London, April 18.

Petrograd.—The communiqué reports that the Russians have occupied the village of Arsenkelessi, twelve miles east of Trebizond.

The Meuse Battle.

(Havas TELEGRAM.)

Paris, April 17.

Yesterday there was artillery activity without change. To-day on the left bank of the Meuse there was an intense cannonade.

Our squadrons bombarded on the nights of the 16th and 17th inst. the regions of Conflans, Pagny, Anarville and Rombach.

British Aeroplane Activity.

(Havas TELEGRAM.)

Paris, April 17.

Four British aeroplanes bombarded a powder factory and the hangars at Constantino and the railway station at Adrianople.

The Russian Campaign.

(Havas TELEGRAM.)

Paris, April 17.

Petrograd.—We repulsed an offensive north of Smorgonie. We made progress south of the Olyka station.

In the Caucasus we dislodged the Turks from a strongly organised position twenty-five versts east of Trebizond.

We repulsed attacks in the direction of Balbourt inflicting severe losses.

The Submarine War.

German Admission to United States.

New York, April 13.—A German note to the United States admits the torpedoing of the Englishman, the Eaglepoint, Manchester Engineer and Berwindale and tries to justify the action under the rules of war. The note further states that a German submarine torpedoed some steamship in the vicinity of the Sussex but the evidence indicates the vessel was not the Sussex.

The note continues: The captain of the submarine made a drawing of the vessel torpedoed which does not resemble the Sussex therefore Germany is of opinion she was a victim of a mine and in corroboration declares the German naval forces destroyed twenty-six floating mines that day. Regarding the four other ships mentioned it says they disregarded signals to halt but the submarine commanders assured themselves of the crews' safety before sinking the ships.

Officials at Washington commenting on the note say a compilation of evidence of submarine disasters since the Lusitania is being made for another note to Germany which will be the final word of the United States.

Seizure of Germans at Sea.

Washington, April 13.—Sir E. Grey makes a strong reply to American representations regarding the removal of 38 Austrians, Germans and Turks from the steamer China near Shanghai and justifies their seizure on the ground that they were engaged in a clandestine trade in arms and anti-British plotting. The note adds there are no limits to Germany's illegal schemes to seek victory and Sir E. Grey thinks in view of what has happened in America the United States is not likely to be disposed to maintain the seizure was unjustifiable.

**Court Circular.**

GRAND PALACE,
Tuesday, April 18.

This afternoon, His Majesty the King received in audience Mr. W. J. F. Williamson, Financial Adviser. On this occasion His Majesty was graciously pleased to confer upon Mr. Williamson the First Class of the Most Exalted Order of the White Elephant.

LOCAL AND GENERAL.

THE Borneo Co. have a new notice to consignees.

THE Nineteenth general meeting of the Siam Commercial Bank takes place on Thursday, 4th May at 5 p.m.

MRS. Riechick has for sale a grand piano, a billiard table complete, and a four-seated motor car. See advertisement.

THE following passengers arrived by the s.s. "Katong" to-day:—Mr. O. A. Sewell, Mr. J. Mackay, Mr. H. G. Shaw, Mr. Beaumont and Mr. Tovey Cazell.

THE Post and Telegraph Department reports that Malay Peninsular main line is in order as far as Chumpon. Other lines are in order.

THE s.s. "Katong" will leave from the Borneo Company's wharf at 4 p.m. sharp, on Friday the 21st inst., and should arrive in Singapore on Tuesday about daylight.

THE Siamese Tramway Co., Ltd. advertise that all their property at their premises adjoining Wat Devaraj Kunjorn will be put up for auction on Thursday, May 18.

THE Phathanakorn will show to-night among other interesting films Protea III in six reels. To those who have not yet seen the Exploits of Elanie, episodes 13 and 14, the film is once more being screened. The Phathanakorn is also putting on new films.

A LONDON telegram, of March 28, says: It is officially announced that, in future, the lists of casualties will not give the theatre of war in which a casualty occurred or the battalion to which an officer belonged. This decision is a matter of military necessity, and it is requested that these particulars shall not be mentioned in obituary notices.

THE following telegram from the Secretary of State to the Governor of Singapore dated 8th April, has been sent as for publication: "Referring to my predecessor's telegram April 17th 1915 it is His Majesty's wish that on the occasion of His Majesty's birthday as last year no dinners, reviews, salutes or other celebration should take place."

SATS the Straits Times of the 13th inst. We are requested to state that the Buddhist New Year Mahasimlam (1278) commences to-day. There will be prayers at the Buddhist Temple, Kinta Road, to-day, to-morrow and on Saturday. All devout of prayers are welcomed. Special ablution will be given with sacred water and sirmah. An image of Buddha has been received from the King of Siam in honour of the occasion.

I HEAR (says the "Daily News," gossip) that Lord Fisher was unaware that Col. Churchill would advocate his restoration to the Admiralty in his speech on Tuesday. Lord Fisher, who was in the Peers' Gallery at the time, was seen to scratch his head in apparent perplexity, and afterwards he tried to find Col. Churchill to have a chat on the subject. But the late First Lord was coy, and preferred to postpone a personal rencontre. Mr. Balfour remarked last night (8th ult.) that Colonel Churchill's speech was probably prepared beforehand, and was therefore, not a reply to his own address. It was a shrewd thrust. I have myself read a speech of Mr. Churchill's fully typed beforehand, with the "cheers" and "laughter" duly set out. A faithful private secretary—not his chief, of course—was responsible.

Russia's Strength.

London, March 29.—The "Daily News" Petrograd correspondent states that on the 180 miles Riga-Dvinsk front the Germans touch the Dvina for only fifty miles in all on either side of Friedrichstadt and northward of Ilukst. The Russians hold broad areas on the left bank at Jacobstadt and Dvinsk.

The "Idée Nationale" Bernese correspondent states that practically all Austro-Bulgarian troops in Serbia and Montenegro have been withdrawn for Galicia. In the Bukovina the Russians, having great artillery superiority over the Austrians, inflicted colossal casualties at small cost.

Motley Reflexions.

"Invest me in my motley, and give me leave to speak my mind."

Since I last wrote about the rikisha, I have been almost inundated with fresh information concerning this vehicle. On the one hand, my Bangkok friends who live on the West side of the Menam have challenged my statement to the effect that the whole of the metropolis enjoys the advantages of the "rot chak," because there are none on "the other side," on the other hand, a number of people have kindly pointed out to me, that several of the larger towns, besides Bismulok, possess rikishas of sorts. In both cases I stand corrected. Judging from what "Autolycus" says about the rikisha of Bismulok, I should be very sorry to have to try any of the vehicles to be found in the other towns; because, in addition to a large phial of benevolent microbes to be used as previously indicated by me, I should probably have to provide myself with a whole outfit of first-aid appliances to be used after a joy-ride in one of those vehicles. In the meantime, I am wondering if the provincial pullers have no pronounced "colouring" other than the metropolitan ones?

Writing of the rikisha leads my thoughts towards the Chinese, and it makes me wonder to see that, judging from telegrams and news in the papers, the Chinaman has apparently adopted Irish politics. An Irish landlord once said of one of his tenants, with whom he had been having a little political discussion, that "he doesn't know what he wants and doesn't like what he gets!" That this should become the political attitude of the Chinaman seems very surprising to me as I feel sure it is to everyone who knows the Chinaman at all well. Never have I found any race more easily satisfied, nor content with so little. After a hard day's work, I have seen a party of Chinamen sit down to a meal of rice and *salted pebbles*, and do full justice to it too! I know it does sound rather "tall," but let me hasten to explain that the pebbles are not swallowed and are only sucked. It is something very like the practice of a poor Irish family, who hangs a herring on a string in the middle of the kitchen, and each member of the family takes a potato and then eats the latter while telling himself that he is eating the herring.

John Chinaman cares less than a brass farthing who or what rules over him, and his principal aim, while in his own native-land, is to avoid contact with his ruler in any shape or form. With such characteristics, it does not stand to reason that he should care for the precise form that the Government of his country takes. Yet we hear of him rebelling against first one and then the other of his rulers as though he were a South American! I cannot help suspecting that the majority of Chinamen do not care about it at all, and that it is all the work of a few professional revolutionaries, who make a living out of revolutions. I believe it is the same with crime. The ordinary Chinaman is docile, law-abiding and not criminal by nature, but some of them adopt crime as a profession. I am sure the Chinese are not like the South Americans who rebel as a pastime. The motto for most South Americans would appear to be:—
It's better to have "rebbed" and lost,
Than never to have "rebbed" at all!

Mention of the Board of Trade notice posted up in the British Legation, warning Sailormen to hold their tongues, reminds me of an ash-tray which a friend recently sent me from Paris, and which is on the table before me as I write. It is of plain white glazed ware, with the tricolor around the edges, and in the centre printed in big black type the warning which, as I dare say you all know, is posted up all over Paris. The words are:—

TAISEZ-VOUS!
MUTINZ-VOUS!
LES OREILLES ENNEMIES
VOUS ECOUTENT.

It was rather an odd coincidence that, when I had written that anecdote about the soldiers the other day, and had sent my contribution to the Editor, I should have come across the remarks of "Autolycus" on the subject of our soldiers and how they are constantly maligned. I am very glad to find a European writer summing up the whole thing as "rats," because that is exactly what it is. Our soldiers may or may not have been "brutal and licentious" once, but I feel justified in saying that the military authorities in this country do all they can to guard against any form of blackguardism in the Army. Of course, there are bound to be black sheep among a large body of men; but would it be fair to tar the whole crowd with the same brush? For example, when I read of a certain Canadian officer named Cordere being convicted of the murder of a Sergeant, should I be justified in labelling the whole Canadian Force a crowd of murderers?

"Brutality and licentiousness" of

the soldiery belongs to the same convention which ordains that all lawyers are liars and rogues; provides long hair and silly affectation for the poet and the artist; ranting for the actor; a red nose for the funny man; and everything that is disagreeable for the mother-in-law! As there certainly are some lying and dishonest lawyers, long-haired poets, red-nosed funny men, ranting actors, and disagreeable mothers-in-law, so are there some soldiers who are brutal and licentious; but you will have to go farther afield than Siam if you want that kind of soldiery in gross!

It is the fate of soldiers to be unappreciated where there is no war or threat of war, especially by people who have lived in England for any length of time cannot fail to notice in what unqualified contempt the British public looks upon soldiers in times of peace: nor could one fail to observe the quick change that takes place whenever there is any war on, when every soldier becomes a hero. This peculiar attitude seems to stick to Englishmen when they go abroad, and makes some of the less good-mannered among them sneer and grumble at the soldiery of whatever country they may happen to be in. How surprised these same Britishers would be could they at this moment be transported to the British Isles, where Khaki is now the only colour that any self-respecting man could wear and walk abroad unashamed! Kipling hits it off exactly in one of his Barrack-Room Ballads, called "Tommy," the last chorus of which runs thus:—
"For it's Tommy this, an' Tommy that, an' 'chuck him out, the brute!"
"But it's 'Saviour of 'is country' when the guns begin to shoot."

SRI DHANONJAL

The Sky Meeting.

The following are the results of yesterday's races:—

(1) Australian Ponies Race.
For Australian ponies 14.2 and under.
4 Fur. H'cap. Value Tcs. 250. Presented by R. B. S. C.

Nai Cha Yong's Mars (8.6) 1
Luang Sunthorn Kosa's Kop (8.0) 2
His Majesty's Nai Pradiat (7.12) 3
Sneyha, Slipaway and Pom also faced the starter.

Won by a short head, ½ length between second and third.
Time: 34 2/5 secs. Tote: Tcs. 9.

(2) Siamese Ponies Race.
5 Fur. H'cap. Value Tcs. 150. Presented by R. B. S. C.

Madame de Bismuloke's Khome 1
His Majesty's Sorn Chai (5.0) 2
Mr. V. L.'s Nilraj (7.2) 3

Others that ran were Samuha, Thai Raow, Krut, Thawiwongse, Thong Thai, Tom and Vajai.

Won by 2 lengths, ½ a length separating second from third.

Time: 1 min. 23 secs. Tote: Tcs. 12.
After this race the stewards had the jockey of Khome Loi before them and after a consultation find him Tcs. 50.

(3) Australian Griffins Race.
6 Fur. H'cap. Value Tcs. 250. Presented by R. B. S. C.

Luang Patibatti's Vittoria (7.13) 1
Sriracha Kongsi's Jacobin (6.7) 2
His Majesty's Ella T. (9.12) 3

Also ran Lom Thalay.
Won by three lengths; a short head between second and third.

Time: 1:28 4/5 secs. Tote: Tcs. 9.

(4) Australian Ponies Race.
For Australian Ponies 14.2 and under.
6 Fur. H'cap. Value Tcs. 250 Presented by R. B. S. C.

Phya Gadadharabadi's Thong Dee (8.) 1

Mr. V. K.'s Isabella (7.9) 2

Mrs. W. A. Graham's Lownit (5.7) 3

Nancy, Phuang Phet and Sunflower also ran.

Won by a length. The second was several lengths ahead of the third.

Time: 1:25 1/5 secs. Tote: Tcs. 17.

(5) Australian Ponies Race.
For Australian ponies 14.2 and under.
6 Fur. H'cap. Value Tcs. 250. Presented by R. B. S. C.

Luang Patibatti's Flirt (8.4) 1

Mrs. W. A. Graham's Mad Meg (8.4) 2

Mr. V. L.'s Vanni (7.12) 3

Marie L. Kop and Royal Page also ran.

Won by a length. Two lengths separating 2nd from 3rd.

Time: 1:23 4/5 secs. Tote: Tcs. 24.

The Handicaps.

The following are the handicaps for to-morrow's races:—

FIRST RACE.
Marie L. 8.2, Sneyha 6.5, Flirt 9.2, Sunflower 7.12, Kop 7.10, Mars 8.12, Sandfly 7.10.

SECOND RACE.
Sorn Chai 5.6, Samuth 6.3, Khome 8.10, Thai Raow 8.0, Klong Tan 6.3, Krut 6.8, Thawiwongse 6.8, Thong Thai 6.12, Tom 6.6, Vajai 6.7, Nilraj 7.0.

THIRD RACE.
Ella T. 10.0, Lom Thalay 6.0, Vittoria 8.9, Mars 9.12, Lownit 6.4, Jacobin 6.7.

FOURTH RACE.
Nancy 6.0, Phuang Phet 8.0, Thong Dee 8.5, Sunflower 7.12, Isabella 7.10, Pom 6.10.

FIFTH RACE.
Nai Pradiat 7.9, Flirt 8.9, Kop 6.12, Royal Page 9.4, Mad Meg 8.2, Sandfly 7.5, Vanni 7.8.

Tomorrow's Handicaps.

First Race.—Considering how gamely Mars, carrying 8.6, answered the call made on her by her jockey yesterday when Kop was leading her, I don't think the latter with 4 lbs. off and Mars with a penalty of 6 lbs. for yesterday's win could hope to reverse yesterday's order of running, even though there is another furlong to be covered. Marie L. is only entered in this race to-morrow and if she takes the place of Mars to give Mars a rest—with steady jockeyship she might just be able to beat Sunflower or Kop. Marie L. goes wide at the bend because in her first training she collided with another horse on this spot and fell injuring her mouth, hence she funks passing here by the rails.

Second Race.—Khome Loi gets another 10 lbs. and Thai Raow carries same weight as yesterday. Sorn Chai gets 6 lbs. for his second place, while Nilraj gets 12 lbs. off. Twelve lbs. did not stop Khome Loi yesterday but I think 10 lbs. more ought to do the trick, in which case Nilraj or Thai Raow—whichever is the harder pony—would win. It must be remembered that some Siamese ponies cannot stand three days' racing.

Third Race.—This is a 7 fur. race. Instead of being for griffins it should have been for the All Pony class which are better able to stand long distances. However, Ella T. carries 10 stone which is 2 lbs. more than she carried yesterday with her new jockey. Vittoria carries 25 lbs. more. If Mars runs in this race, even with a penalty of 36 lbs. to her w.f.i. she ought to win easily. If not the race will go to Ella T. as Vittoria with 3 lbs. over her w.f.i. cannot repeat her former performances though with w.f.i. at the last meeting she ran round the course in 2.11 which ought to make her 7 fur. about 1.45.

Fourth Race.—I think Isabella lost her race yesterday through her jockey. I don't say that the jockey is not capable but I think he was tired. To-morrow Thong Dee will carry 6 lbs. more and Isabella 1 lb. more. The distance is the same, and I think Isabella will do it this time.

Fifth Race.—Five lbs. more on Flirt means only 3 lbs. added to her w.f.i. and 2 lbs. off Mad Meg still means 4 lbs. added to her w.f.i. On yesterday's running it looked as if Mad Meg would have won if the distance was one furlong longer. Unfortunately the race to-morrow is the same distance, i.e. 6 furlongs. I cannot understand making the griffin race 7 fur. and making this race 6 fur., nor can I understand the lenient treatment of Flirt. Perhaps the handicapper did not notice that a new jockey was riding her. I think if Nai Um who had ridden her already had ridden her yesterday she would have won much more easily than she did. I would all the same say that Royal Page would have been closer up yesterday if he had not gone wide at the bend. Evidently the handicapper noted this, and therefore only took 1 lb. off his weight. Vanni with 7.8 has possibilities.

America and Germany.

An Amazing Situation.

London, April 13.—The amazing situation in the United States in regard to the relations of the United States with Germany is emphasised by Washington correspondents who point out that while President Wilson and the Cabinet are most resentful at Germany's conduct, they hesitate to break off relations because they know the country is opposed to war. It is certain the East would support the cabinet in such a step but the attitude of the West is an unknown and dangerous quantity. The westerners appear to have forgotten there is a European war and their papers devote pages to the Mexican war and an inch or so to Verdun fighting.

London, April 14.—It is reported from Washington that President Wilson in addressing a banquet of democrats from all parts of the country, prayed that the United States would not be drawn into a quarrel not of its own choosing, but he asked if the people would be ready to go in where the interests of America were coincident with the interests of humanity, and have the courage to withdraw where the interests of humanity were concerned: cheers and shouts of yes! Wilson, during the address had been referring to the European war and the Mexican question, without intimating any plans with regard to either.

London, April 14.—A Washington message states that President Wilson has cancelled all his engagements in consequence of the tension due to Germany's submarine reply, coupled with Mexico's demand for the withdrawal of the American troops who have been pursuing Villa. It is officially stated that American troops went to be withdrawn from Mexico as they are presently in pursuit of Villistas, which pursuit will be vigorously maintained. While on the question of discussing matters with General Carranza it is reported that a mob attacked the American troops passing Parral Chihuahua a fight ensued and there were many casualties. General Carranza tele-

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Holy Week.

To the Editor of the "Siam Observer."

Dear Sir,
May I be allowed, by means of your courtesy, to bring to the notice of your readers, the undermentioned services for Good Friday and Easter Day? I do so hoping that my letter may serve to remind and to encourage the observance of these special Holy Days of the Christian Year:—

Good Friday April 21.

At St. Mary's Mission Chapel,
8 a.m.—Matins and Ante-Communion Service

9 a.m. to 12 noon—Devotions on "The Seven Words from the Cross."

8 p.m.—Lantern Service "The Way of the Cross."

At Christ Church,
6 p.m.—Evening Service and Sermon.

Easter Day, April 23.
At Christ Church.

7.30 a.m.—Holy Communion.

10 a.m.—Matins, Holy Communion and Sermon.

At St. Mary's Mission Chapel,
8.30 a.m.—Holy Communion and Sermon.

4 p.m.—Children's Service.

6 p.m.—Evening and Sermon.

Faithfully Yours,
CECIL R. SIMMONS.

Bangkok, April 18, 1916.

graphs that his troops assisted the Americans to restore order, and he appeals to the United States to recognize the dangers of arousing the natives.

Mexican Request to U.S.A.

Washington, April 14.—The Mexican Government has asked that American troops should be withdrawn from Mexican territory as General Villa who was the pursued has left the Mexican constitutional army. The Americans have fulfilled their object of dispersing the bandits.

Germans Arrested in America.

London, April 14.—The New York police have arrested four Germans, Becker, Bode, Wolfert, and Kleist, the three first named were employees in German steamship lines. Bode has admitted that he was agent to Captain Von Papen and Becker has admitted that a bomb factory was established in an interned German ship. More arrests are expected, the police say that the funds have been supplied by a wealthy man whose identity is not disclosed.

New York, April 14.—Four Germans have been arrested and charged with conspiring to blow up munition ships.

Petrograd, April 12.—The communiqué says: The Germans unsuccessfully attempted an offensive against the important bridgehead at Ikskull. Artillery has been lively elsewhere.

The Russians continue to progress west of Erzerum.

Petrograd, April 13.—Official. The Germans are still battering at the bridgehead of Ikskull.

Rome, April 12.—The communiqué says: The enemy opened new heavy batteries between Adige and Sugana valleys to which the Italians effectively replied causing big fires. There is intense artillery activity on the whole Isonzo front, especially on the heights northwest of Gorizia.

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Recruiting Crisis.

General Compulsion Improbable.

London, April 12.—The members of the House of Commons last evening were more optimistic as to the recruiting crisis. Although Sir E. Carson has tabled a motion in favour of compulsion of all of military age the consensus of opinion is that the Cabinet will not decide on general compulsion believing the House of Commons will not pass Sir E. Carson's motion if it is pressed to a division. It is expected the Government will introduce a bill extending the Military Service Act to all youths attaining the age of eighteen. This and the embodiment of the attested married men will suffice to meet the military requirements for many months. Politicians speculate whether the audience of Mr. Bonar Law with the King yesterday morning related to his position towards the Unionist War Committee, which might be awkward if many of the Unionists voted against the Government. The cardinal fact of the situation at present is that the Unionist leaders are most desirous to keep the coalition in being.

London, April 13.—The House of Commons has agreed to amendments to the Finance Bill relieving from tax matches made before April 5 and halving the tax on large boxes of matches.

London, April 14.—In the House of Commons Mr. Tennant assured the House that the resumption of hostilities would not find the British troops unprovided with steel helmets. Mr. Asquith intimated that he would make his recruiting statement on Tuesday during the discussion, or on Wednesday. He also promised a statement on air questions next week, including the resignations of Lords Derby and Montagu. He stated that the sub-committees of the Cabinet were dealing with the questions of reconstructions of the commercial and industrial policy likely to arise after the war. The Government were communicating with the Dominions on the most important aspects of the problem.

Indian Finance.

London, April 13.—The Morning Post in an editorial on Indian finance says no one can guess from the text of the financial statement that India is engaged in war. It is not good for India to be too well sheltered during a season of effort and sacrifice. How should she best help, the idea of a war loan is now out of the question from local circumstances. Why should not India follow the excellent example of Nigeria which has assumed responsibility for a six millions share in the

the Imperial war debt after the war. India could take up twenty, thirty or forty times that amount. We are persuaded the feeling of the people of India is for more generous co-operation in the war.

H. H. The Aga Khan.

London, April 13.—Reviewing H. H. the Aga Khan's services in the war the Times says he has earned the gratitude of the whole Empire for his enthusiastic and practical support of the cause of the Allies.

London, April 13.—The King has sanctioned the grant to H. H. the Aga Khan of a salute of eleven guns with rank and status of a first class chief of the Bombay presidency for life.

Value of German Securities Seized.

London, April 13.—In the House of Commons Sir E. Grey said the face value of enemy securities seized in the mails from Holland to America total approximately two millions. They will be dealt with a Prize court similarly to other German exports. Various neutrals have protested against the seizure and a discussion with them is proceeding.

The Toll in Ships.

London, April 13.—The Swedish steamer Morjek has been sunk.

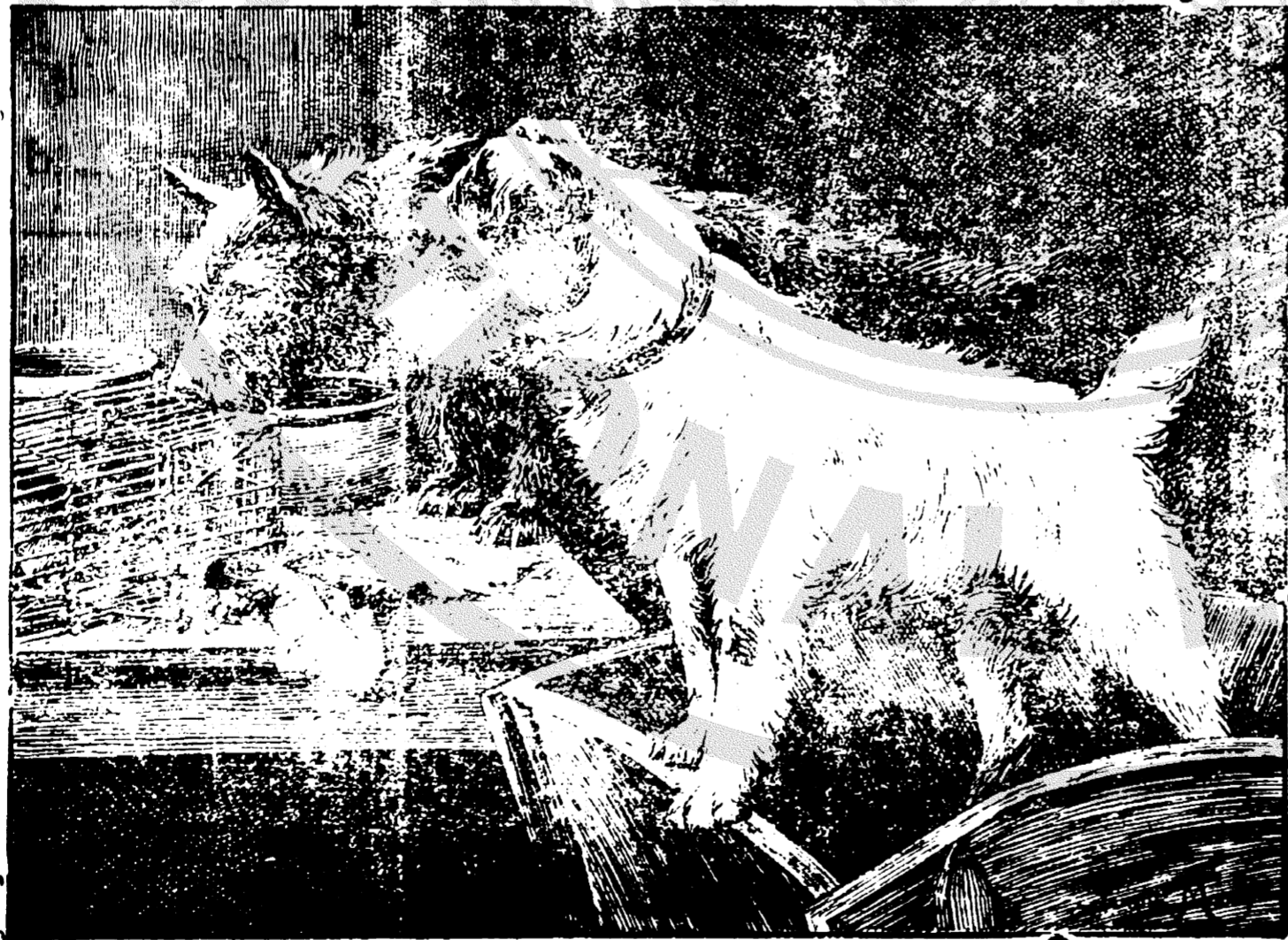
London, April 13.—The Dutch steamer Colombia has been mined in the Channel and has arrived at Grave-send. The Russian sailing ship Imperator has been sunk. Nine of the crew were saved, some were injured.

London, April 14.—The British steamers Robert Adamson and the Angus have been sunk, the former's crew has been landed.

London, April 14.—A message from the Hague Naval Department announces that another of the Tubantia's boats has been picked up which contained pieces of mechanism from a torpedo, one piece being stamped with a number. The German Government has been asked to assist in establishing the identity of the torpedo.

A German Claim.

London, April 13.—The Germans claim a total of 35,876 unwarmed prisoners in the Verdun region from Feb-21 to April 10. This exceeds the total of French dead, wounded or prisoners, the latter of whom do not exceed in number 17,000.



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German Propaganda in U. S. A.

The Daily Mail's correspondent writing from New York under date 9th March says:—

A few hours before the debate began in the House of Representatives to-day the *New York World* published two pages of correspondence and documentary evidence showing the entire inner working of the secret German propaganda to influence Congress. The documents form delicious reading. The effect of their publication is equivalent to the explosion of a huge mine beneath the enemy trenches.

The revelations disclose that the National German-American Alliance, in co-operation with numerous other German political societies, has established a huge organization to control the next Republican National Convention in the hope of securing a candidate friendly to Germany, to exclude ignorant Congressmen into passing legislation hostile to Great Britain, and to oppose generally President Wilson's policies.

The list of documents opens with a circular signed by Henry Weismann calling upon the Americans of German birth to perform their "holiest duty" and to take revenge against President Wilson on behalf of "our curtailed rights as citizens of this country." The plans for circumventing and beating "nativists" at the polls are outlined. This is followed by letters from German "lobbyists" detailing the results of their conversations with Senators Gore and Stone and twenty-six other members of the Senate and the House.

The revelations close with the text of a "confidential circular," which sets forth the German aims in the following typical passages: "The national organization, whose officials are unmistakably American, alone can achieve our purposes. Now is the psychological time to start, for the German situation is solved and the days of tension with England are near. The English Prize Court's decision adds to our opportunities. President Wilson must take up with England the invasion of American rights, and the time will have arrived to make people forget that there ever was a German situation and to bring home to them that the real issue in the whole war has been, and is now, the American-English question."

Anti-British Programme.

It is then set forth: "First, all officers shall have other than German, Austrian, Hungarian, or Irish names." Second, that the platform or programme must be "pro-German with no suspicion of pro-German planks like the embargo, but with only two planks, such as the freedom of the seas or of the American merchant marine—pro-American and anti-British."

It is explained that "on the pro-German platform you have only a portion of our population to appeal to: on the pro-American and anti-British platform the whole country." A third point deals with the organizations to be formed to direct "wherever possible all anti-British activities in harmony with various German organisations."

A fourth has to do with "publicity." It runs as follows: "This organization should follow events in the news-

papers closely; advise its prominent members for interviews on questions of the day; supply newspapers throughout the country, either directly or through agencies, with so-called 'boiler plate' (stereotype) matter which can be sent to hundreds of newspapers—with tendential information; circularise leaders of thought in a crisp, terse style on current issues."

Under a fifth heading the various ways of influencing politics on behalf of Germany are outlined. Next comes the urgent question of "secrecy," concerning which the following recommendations are made: "Not more than twenty men should be in the know; fewer would be better. They should contribute the money and direct the policy of the organisation. The newspapers may suspect this movement of being pro-German, but as long as they cannot place their hands on the promoters they cannot hurt us. Secrecy excludes mass meetings and conventions. It does not exclude disclosing the character of the purposes of the movement in comparatively secret meetings of the thousands of organisations friendly to us. This method of secrecy is absolutely essential to success, for just as soon as any body of pro-Germans oppose Jones as the Presidential candidate, a large portion of the American Press will demand Jones's election because the pro-Germans are against him, and in that case we shall only elect the man we wanted to defeat."

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Germany Still Attacking.

Paris, April 12.—Semi-official. Despite the use of the lowest type of offence such as liquid fire and lachrymatory shells the enemy's furious assaults on our wings failed. A continuance of the bombardment indicates the enemy's intention to re-attack Deadman hill where yesterday he gained only a hundred yards of first line trench. The reason the Germans do not mention the fighting at this spot is because long ago they announced to the world its capture. They have in consequence not yet admitted that the French hold the hill. The French high command is confident the French cannot be worn out at Verdun and will have sufficient reserves to participate adequately in the great allied offensive at the appointed hour.

Paris, April 12.—The Germans are still unsuccessfully hammering at Verdun. The communiqué says: The enemy launched an attack to-day, using liquid fire, against Carrières wood between Deadman hill and Camiers, but it was everywhere repulsed. There is great artillery activity between Donauumont and Vanux with no infantry attack. It is confirmed the Germans had particularly heavy losses here in yesterday's violent offensive.

British Activity.

London, April 13.—The British communiqué says last night we made a small but successful raid on the enemy's trenches near Richebourg l'Avoue killing ten Germans. The enemy last evening thrice successively attacked west of the Pilkem-Ypres road. The first attack gained a footing in our trenches but was quickly driven out, the other attacks were repulsed leaving twenty-five dead and three prisoners in front of our trenches. We bombarded enemy trenches in this area to-day. There was considerable artillery activity northwest of Wytschate and some shelling about Bouches, Carey and Calonne, and heavy hostile shelling behind St. Eloi but little shelling on front of our line and the craters in which we are now established. The gallant fighting of Canadians in this neighbourhood inflicted heavy losses on the enemy last week.

Italian Aviators Brilliant Feat.

Rome, April 13.—Official: A communiqué relates a remarkable exploit of four Italian hydroplanes. After bombarding a point on the enemy coast on the lower Adriatic and chasing away sentries they alighted at sea,

The Economic Conference.

London, April 12.—In the House of Lords, Lord Courtney and Lord Bryce hope nothing would be done at the economic conference at Paris which would affect the absolute freedom of the people of Britain to determine their own fiscal policy.

Lord Greve emphasised that our representatives would not commit the Government to any definite course of action. The Conference proposed to deal with some current matters, such as a joint agreement against enemy trading and the scale and character of prohibited exports, in order to inflict as little inconvenience as was possible upon our allies. It would also consider post war questions such as the reconstitution of trade between the Allies and also the problem of securing the economic independence of the Allies. He agreed with Lord Bryce that it was not wise for Britain to frame her future commercial policy upon a frantic system of revenge, nevertheless cases might arise where it would be necessary to sacrifice some commercial advantage in order to avoid greater possible danger.

Why Montagu Resigned.

London, April 12.—Lord Montagu speaking at Birmingham said Lord Derby and he had resigned from the air committee because the committee was powerless to effect any real reform. He emphasised the lack of unity between the army and navy on air questions. They had submitted a scheme to the Cabinet for the establishment of a board of aviation. He was of opinion the war would be decided largely in the air and a great air service must not be only national but Imperial.

The Case of The Married Men.

London, April 13.—Mr. Asquith receiving a deputation of the self-styled Married Men's Union, indignantly repudiated the suggestion that Government had broken its pledges. He was convinced the married men were most loyal but he deprecated the Union's deplorable movement. The Government had decided to deal generously with married men. The amount of help they would receive from the State would be fixed later.

landed and set fire to the signal station, destroyed the telegraphs, exploded a magazine, destroyed a pier and then returned to their machines and flew back to their base unmolested. An Italian ship, bombed the station of Nabresina and returned, unscathed despite furious anti-aircraft fire.

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Ayuthia Arr.	9.3	...	11.41	3.33	5.45	Chang	Dep.
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Ban Phaji Dep.	9.57	...	12.37	4.30	...	Tha Sao	7.1	2.21	...
Lopburi Arr.	11.5	...	1.55	5.48	...	Utaradit	7.18	2.40	...
Chengket Dep.	12.33	...	3.38	...	7.2	Ban Dara Arr.	8.16	3.26
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Pitsa'loke Dep.	7.4	2.2	...	Pitsa'loke Arr.	10.43	5.30
Ban Dara Arr.	9.5	4.18	...	Pitsa'loke Dep.	1.45	7.—
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S'kaloke Arr.	10.21	5.41	...	Pak'poh Dep.	3.52	7.20	10.43	...
Ban Dara Dep.	9.10	4.26	...	Chengket Arr.	6.21	9.22	12.28	...
Utaradit	10.6	5.29	...	Lopburi Dep.	7.10	11.6	1.56
Tha Sao Arr.	10.15	5.38	...	Ban Phaji Arr.	8.30	12.21	3.4
Den Chai	11.57	Korat Dep.	a.m.	a.m.	p.m.
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Gengkoi Arr.	11.7	...	1.26	5.51	...	Ayuthia	7.13	9.25	1.23
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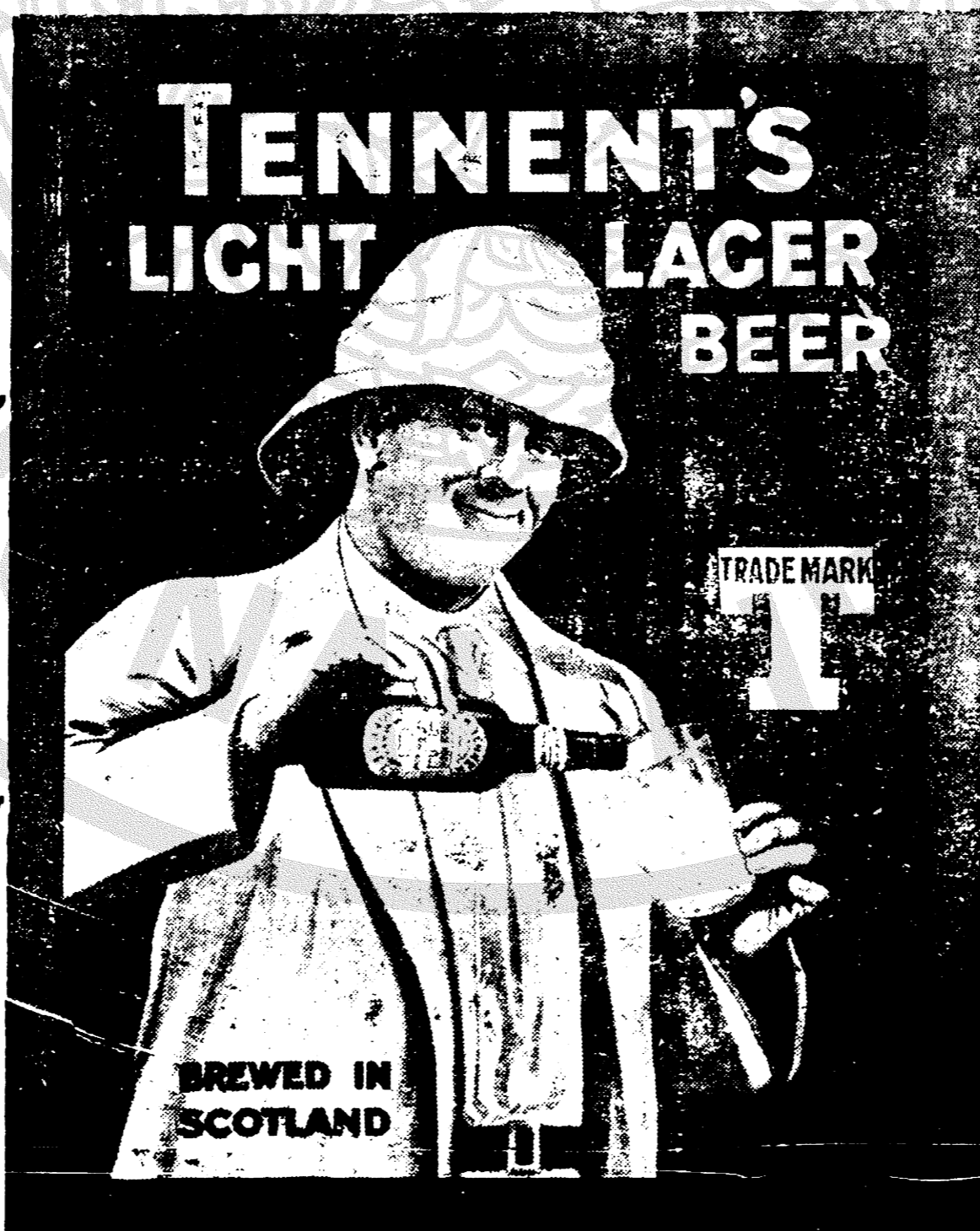
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