Circulation Last Week 279,905

Daily Average, 46,651

PRICE TWO CENTS.

OF UNBROKEN PROSPERITY.

THE LONDON ADVERTISER, LONDON, CANADA.

JUST WAITING TILL HE REALLY CATCHES ME

THE ENEMY

ELUDED US

SATURDAY EVENING, AUGUST 24, 1918. 128 COLUMNS

# 55TH YEAR. No. 22171

Member of Saskatchewan Battalion Is Recommended For Victoria Cross For Conspicuous Gallantry On the Battlefield.

Correspondent. Recommendations for the Victoria wounded in the right arm, but refused Cross include that of a sergeant in a to desist. Shortly after he led his Saskatchewan battalion as follows:

He was leading the plateon gallantly for- perseverance and courage were undoubtwhen he realized that a gap had oc- point in the whole day's advance." curred in his flank, and that an enemy A corporal of the same battalion is machine gun was firing at close range recommended "for, single-handed, capemplacement, killing the officer and while alone, encountered a battery of

beating a hurried retreat. his comrades. Throughout the day he to fire point-blank at them until the exhibited the same spirit, carrying on four men were on them." after being wounded by shell fire."

Private Takes Gun. of two recommendations for the Vic- enemy gun made a direct hit on the toria Cross. "A private, killed in ac- car, killing three of the crew and cuttion, encountered, on August 8, after ting off the corporal's arm. Removing being separated from his section, a ma- the body of the driver, he swung round chine gun nest in a wood, which he the shattered car and brought it safely dealt with unassisted, first by bomb- back into our lines.

[By J. F. B. LIVESAY, Canadian Press ing and then, jumping into the post, taking the gun and crew prisoners. With the Canadian Forces, Aug. 24 .- | Shortly afterwards, he was severely platoon in a brilliant charge against a "For most conspicuous gallantry and very strong point containing several devotion to duty during an attack made machine guns, which were captured, the on the enemy's positions on August 9. garrison being bayoneted and surren-"This N. C. O., with his platoon, was dering. He was severely wounded in protecting the battalion's right flank. the knee and died in a few minutes. His ward to the attack, but had not gone far edly responsible for taking the strongest

with the advancing line. He imme- turing a strong post with three machine diately grasped the situation, and rush- guns, which was enfilading his coming forward about 200 yards ahead of pany, killing several of the garrison and the platoon, tackled the machine-gun capturing the remainder. Later on he, nding one of the crew, the rest 5.9-inch guns in action. Collecting three men of his section, he charged "By his boldness and quick action he the battery and captured the entire undoubtedly saved the lives of many of crew of the three guns, which continued

A corporal, a gunner in an armored motor machine-gun car, performed an Another battalion has the distinction heroic act, in which he lost his life. An

Del Rosso Are Repulsed.

taking 38 prisoners. In the region

north of Col Del Rosso two enemy

buildings slightly. An enemy machine

fell into the sea south of Venice. Eight

hostile airplanes have been brought

"In Albania on the lower Sement

**RECOGNIZES MOTION** 

Washington, D.C., Aug. 23.—The motion picture industry in all its branches has been recognized as an essential industry by the war industries board.

**RACING STABLES AT** 

RAIN SAVED BIG

"Enemy airplanes have bombed Tre-

thrusts were arrested by our fire.

down in aerial fighting.

## HUNS ALONG THE RIVALTA VILLAGE IS CAPTURED BY RHINE EXPECT AN ITALIAN TROOPS ALLIED INVASION

Dutch Woman Back From a Visit Tells of Conditions.

REAL DESPAIR PREVAILS

Population No Longer Expects German Soil to Remain Inviolate.

London, Aug. 24.-The German population along the Rhine expects an Allied invasion, in the opinion of a Dutch woman of German descent, who has just returned to Amsterdam from visitrelatives in a small village near on the Rhine. In a statement Bonn on the Rhine. In a statement to the Amsterdam correspondent of the Daily Express, she said: "The impression gathered from what I saw and heard in Germany was one of real despair. In spite of what the newspapers was a denoted by the German retires." say or do not say, the German retire ment in the west is making the wor possible impression, especially along the Rhine. The people there know that they will be the first to be hit if the

Allies ever come.

"The idea that German soil is to remain inviolate to the last has disappeared completely, and on the Rhine everybody expects a foreign invasion sooner or later. Many families are preparing to leave for Central Germany.

"The ravages of Allied aircraft are simply terrific. When you read: There was some material damage,' it means that whole streets were torn up with that whole streets were torn up with a heavy casualty list to complete the picture."

KAISER DEPENDS ON MACHINE GUNS TO REPLACE MANPOWER

London, Aug. 24.-Germany's appar-London, Aug. 24.—Germany's apparent reliance on machine guns to counteract waning manpower in France is reflected in an article in the Vossiche Zeitung of Berlin by Captain von Salzmann, a military critic. The Daily Mail's correspondent at The Hague says that the captain explains that the western front has been made impregnable by machine guns. The critic declares that the effort of Marshal Foch to convert tactical gains into a stratwestern front has been made impregable by machine guns. The critic delares that the effort of Marshal Foch o convert tactical gains into a stratigic victory will be defeated by nachine guns. Horse drawn machine runs, he adds, have been distributed o each company.

\*\*RUSSIAN OFFICERS RELEASED.\*\*

Amsterdam, Aug. 24.—The heavy rains that came at midnight Friday saved the racing plant at Devonshire Park, two miles south of this city, from total destruction by fire. Two rows of the horse stables, however, were burned by stablemen alded and abetted by "Jupiter Pluvius."

The fire had its origin from sparks of a locomotive engine it is thought.

# Advertiser Illustrations. **WOULD USE LAME** AND OLD HORSES

Alberta Association Will Submit Resolution to the Government.

FOR HUMAN FOOD

Calgary, Aug. 24.-After a thorough liscussion of the question of utilizing the horse, especially those of the scrub variety, and those who, through lameness were unfit for work, for human Two Enemy Thrusts Near Col food, a joint meeting of the directors of the Alberta Horse, Cattle, Sheep and Swine Breeders' Association passed a unanimous resolution calling the at-Rome, Aug. 23 .- Following is the text tention of the Dominion Government of the Italian official statement issued to the advisability of removing these horses to supply food to a large number of the Allied neutral countries who are accustomed to eat that variety of 'In the Brenta Valley we have captured the village of Rivalta. Other detachments have occupied Sasso Stefani,

## **AMERICAN FLYERS BOMB GERMAN** viso, wounding a child and damaging **OCCUPIED TOWNS**

River to the heights of Mall Tomorioes our advance lines were attacked yes- Drop 41 Explosive Missiles On terday by the Austrians. The attack Various Points. was repulsed. West of Point 1150 one advance posts was obliged to

S. WAR BOARD

GOGNIZES MOTION

PICTURE INDUSTRY

With the American Army in France, Aug. 23.—American bombling airplanes flew over Conflans, between Verdun and Methe, twice this afternoon and dropped 41 bombs. Six bombs were observed to make direct hits.

While returning from the first raid the American aviators were pursued by German filers. The enemy, however, turned back when they got inside of the American line. German anti-aircraft fire was weak and ineffective. With the American Army in France

ENEMY TROOPS FOR SIBERIA DIVERTED

ACING STABLES AT

DEVONSHIRE PARK

Devonshire Park

London, Aug. 24.—A dispatch to the Daily Mall from The Hague says: It is indicated that some German units under orders to proceed to Finland by way of the Kiel Canal are being diverted to the western front. According to a frontier message landwehr infantry from the Rhenisch industrial district which was to leave for Kiel Thursday, was held up and will leave for France shortly. It is not indicated that such diversions will be extensive.

POOR EYESIGHT BARS LIEUT. GREGORY

RUSSIAN OFFICERS RELEASED.

Amsterdam, Aug. 24.—Twenty-three former Russian officers imprisoned in the Alentiff barracks have been released, according to a Moscow dispatch printed in the Rhenische Westphalian Zeitung. The dispatch says the Soviet Government was compelled to abandon its plan for the internment of the officers under pressure from the population of Moscow.

Windsor, Aug. 23.—Found physically unfit because of poor eyesight, Lieut. D. S. Gregory, head of the Dominion police at Windsor, has been refused by stablemen slded and abetted by "Jupiter Pluvius."

The fire had its origin from sparks of a locomotive engine it is thought. The long dry grass near the stables of a locomotive engine it is thought. The long dry grass near the stables spreading rapidly to the rows of frame stables, which burned like tinder. There was no fire fighting appearatus available, the policy of the Windsor, has been refused by Mindsor, has been refused to Siberia. The long dry grass near the stables of a locomotive engine it is thought. The long dry grass near the stables of a locomotive engine it is thought. The long dry grass near the stables of a locomotive engine it is thought. The long dry grass near the stables of a locomotive engine it is thought. The long dry grass near the stables of a locomotive engine it is thought. The long dry grass near the stables of a locomotive engine it is thought. The long dry grass near the stables of a locomotive engine it is thought. The long dry grass near the stables of a locomotive engine it is thought. The long dry grass near the stables of candom the president of the Dominion police at Windsor, has been refused to Siberia. The long dry grass near the stables of a locomotive engine it is thought. The long dry grass near the stables of a locomotive engine it is thought. The long dry grass near the stables of a locomotive engine it is thought. The long dry grass near the stables of a locomotive engine it is thought.

The long dry grass near the stables of a locomotive engine it is th

EVERY AVAILABLE GERMAN IS NOW IN KAISER'S ARMY

London, Aug. 23.—The German Government has summoned every available man to the colors, says a letter just received here from a letter just received here from a newspaper correspondent in Germany. Of the 200,000 work-men at Krupps, between 30,000 and 40,000 have been called up for service at the front. Else-where, the correspondent adds, the comb-out has been even more

# LOWERING MORALE OF ENEMY TROOPS

Different Foe Factions Because of Defeats.

With the French Army in France, Friday, Aug. 23.—Further evidence has been gathered that the victories of the Ailies have affected considerably the morale of the German troops.

The cause of the depression which is quite general among the prisoners taken recently, is the conclusion that they have reached, after comparisons, that the Ailies' artillery tactics are far superior to theirs. They attribute their defeat to the success of the French in emcircling their strongest position and in well-directed and concentrated artillery fire. Thus they have been unable to hold even their best sheltered position.

position.

After the surprise caused by the retreats, dissensions seem to have arisen between different elements of the Ger-man army. These have resulted in bitreturning from the first raid derican aviators were pursued by filers. The enemy, however, back when they got inside of the an line. German anti-aircraft s weak and ineffective.

TY TROOPS FOR
IBERIA DIVERTED
TO WESTERN FRONT

TO WESTERN FRONT

The bulk of the Juvigny plateau is in the hands of the French, who are again on the edge of the battlefield of 1917. To the north lies the Allette valley. Eight miles eastward is Laffaux mill and the beginning of Chemin-desparence of the Allette valley. Eight miles eastward is Laffaux mill and the beginning of Chemin-desponses. French cavalry patrols crossed the Allette today, although the Germans fought desperately to keep them on the west side of the river and the canal.

# DECORATED WITH

With the French Army in France, Aug. 23 .- Near the headquarters of the French army today Gen. Petain, the French commander-in-chief, was decor-

# ARE CLOSING NOYON AND BAPAUME

New York, Aug. 24 .- The Associated Press this morning issued the

British troops along the extreme northern sectors of the battle line in Picardy and Artols are advancing at a comparatively rapid rate. Their attack in the Albert region was continued early this morning. According to unofficial reports

According to unofficial reports from the field, the British have reached the village of Henlin, on the Cojeul River, five miles southeast of Arras. They have advanced further to the south, and are in the outskirts of the town of St. Leger.

Closing in On Bapaume.

Advancing Britons appear to be closing in on Bapaume, the reputed keystone of the German positions between Arras and the Somme. The Germans have been forced to give up towns just to the north of Bapaume, while the British are reported to be operating just to the west of the town. It is officially reported that in the fighting since Wednesday morning, when the offensive began in this sector, the British have taken more than 14,000 prisoners. It is stated in unofficial advices that whole batteries of the enemy.

the enemy.
South of the Somme and between the Olse and the Alsne, artillery duels are reported.
French patrols operating in Lorrench parrols operating in Lor-raine have penetrated German trenches at many points. Overcoming enemy resistance with smashing blows, the Allied forces between Arras and Sois-

forces between Arras and Johnsons are moving steadily forward. The menace to the German positions on the 50-mile front increases hourly as the Ailles take thousands of prisoners and inflict heavy on the north, having hurled the Germans from more or less import-ant positions on a 30-mile front the

ant positions on a 30-mile front the British are nearing Bapaume and threatening the outlying defence of Peronne. The fall of Bapaume, it is said, would be a disaster to the enemy. Field Marshal Halg's men now are but a little more than two miles away on the northwest, having taken Alchiet-Le-Grand and Bilbucourt in determined fighting. ing taken Alchiet-Le-Grand and Bihucourt in determined flighting. West of Noyon the French have forced a crossing of the Divette at Evricourt, three miles from Noyon, and they maintain their strong pressure from the south and east. Between the Alsne and the Allette, north of Solssons, Gen. Mangin's troops are pressing close to the heights dominating the Chemin des Dames from the west, increasing the menace to the German positions along the Vesle.

along the Vesle.

British Steadily Advancing.
The British third and fourth armies are fighting over the old battlefield of the Somme and are making marked progress in fighting which resembles in intensity the first days of the drive of July, 1916. They have crossed the Albert-Arras road over most of its length. They have selzed the high ground north, west and southwest of Bapaume and have surrounded the important position of Thiepval on three sides.

North and south of the Somme the British are closing in on Bray. They hold the heights to the northwest. South of the river they have taken two villages east of Bray, which lies on the north bank. In the area of Lihons the British are east of Herlesville. From Chaulnes to the south of Roye, the battle line remains unchanged.

Heavy Allied Fire.

French and British guns are pouring a heavy fire into and behind the front here, the stability of which is seriously shaken by the allied progress to the north and south. Noyon is still in enemy hands, but its usefulness wanes as the French artillery bombards it and the armies of Generals Humbert and Mangin move toward it.

On the front north of Soissons General Mangin apparently is giving most attention to sharpening of the salient which has its apex im-

General Mangin apparently is giving most attention to sharpening of the salient which has its apex immediately north of Soissons. He has gained further ground east of Begneux and west of Crecy Au Mont toward the Soissons-Chaulny road. Any advance here adds to the vulnerability of the German line eastward from Soissons.

Fires are reported burning behind the German position north of the Vesle, and it is believed the enemy may be preparing to retire. Infantry and transports have been observed moving northward from the Vesle in the last few days.

Everything is going well. We have begun our action and we shall continue. These are the words of Marshal Foch, whose strategy has placed the Germans in their present unenviable position.

Foch Holds initiative.

For five weeks now Marshal Foch

Foch Holds initiative.

Foch Holds initiative.

For five weeks now Marshal Foch has held the initiative and the Germans have suffered probably the most severe setbacks and have lost more ground in that time than in any like period since 1916 on the western front. The sixth week has begun auspiciously with the German line from Arras to Solssons wavering under allied blows and unable to retire without inviting disaster. In the last week more than 20,000 prisoners, not counting Friday's captures, have been taken, more than 50 towns and villages regained, and the Allies have pressed on unchecked.

Unbroken Stream of American Troops Going to France.

Washington, Aug. 24.—The total number of American soldiers embark-ed has now passed the 1,500,000 mark, General March, chief of staff, announc-General March, ciner of start, amounted today.

Further improvement in the shipping situation was noted and he said the program for transporting troops to France was going ahead without change. General March said statements he made recently in hearings before the military affairs committee fore the military affairs con before the military arrains committee were the results of cold-blooded military opinion, and were not intended to raise the hopes of the people. He apparently referred to his testimony that an army of 4,000,000 Americans could win the war next year.

# TEUTONS BURNING

Enemy Gradually Withdrawing On 50-Mile Front North of Soissons.

With the American Army on the Vesle Front, Friday, Aug. 23.—A number of fires were reported late Thursday and during Thursday night within the German lines between the Vesle and the Alsne. American officers are of the opinion that the Germans are burning buildings and material which they do not want or have not time to move. French and American observers several days ago reported heavy movements of enemy infantry and troops northward. Prisoners captured by the Americans in the last few days declared they knew nothing about troop movements between the rivers. nothing about to tween the rivers.

The continued pressure of the French and British on the 50-mile front north of Solssons and other developments lead merican officers to believe that ermans will be forced to withdraw from the line of the Vesle.

German prisoners say that the general German prisoners say that the general opinion among the German soldiers is that Germany cannot win a decisive victory. They believe that Germany will try to hold on in an endeavor to obtain a peace by negotiation.

ENEMY MOTORBOATS ATTEMPT RAID OFF DUNKIRK COAST

London, Aug. 24.-German motorboat attempted a reconnaissance in the neighborhood of Dunkirk, France, yesterday morning. They were driven off by British and French patrolling vesting the property of the property by the property of the proper sels. One enemy motorboat is to have been destroyed.

# THE WEATHER

LOCAL TEMPERATURES.
Following were the highest and lowest temperatures recorded in London during the 24 hours previous to 8 o'clock last night: Highest, 92; lowest, 69.
The official temperatures for the 12 hours previous to 8 a.m. today were: Highest, 77; lowest, 68. TOMORROW — FAIR AND COOLER.
Toronto, Aug. 24—8 a.m.
Forecasts.

Forecasts.

Moderate winds; a few scattered showers, but generally fair today and on Sunday, and not quite so warm.

Temperatures.

The following were the highest and lowest temperatures during the 24 hours previous to 8 a.m. today:

Stations, High. Low. Weather. Victoria 60 50 Clear Calgary 82 56 Cloudy Winnipeg 76 58 Cloudy Parry Sound.... Port Stanley.... Buffalo ..... ingston ..... ttawa Montreal ....... Quebec ......

A tropical storm is situated off the Carolina coast.

OVER 1,500,000 Troops Under General Haig Continue Successful Drive Against Teuton Lines On Wide Front In Picardy -French Repulse German Attacks In Lorraine.

London, Aug. 24.—The British have captured Bray and have

surrounded Thiepval. Several thousand prisoners have passed through the cages behind Gen. Byng's third army today. No effort to count the guns captured has been made up to this time.

The British were smashing through the German positions this morning all along the battlefront.

The British are reported to have captured Becordet and to have reached the high ground southwest of Fricourt.

The British have passed well beyond Happy Valley. The situation at Thiepval was uncertain this morning. La Boisselle and Ovillers were reported to have been wrested from

the enemy. The town of Miraumont appears to have been surrounded by the British.

### BRITISH FORCES AT OUTSKIRTS OF THE TOWN OF BAPAUME

London, Aug. 24, 1 p.m.—British forces are within two miles of Bapaume, according to dispatches received in London today. WAR MATERIALS of Bapaume, according to dispatches received in London today. The British third army is advancing rapidly. It has gone forward in some places to a depth of four miles on a front of twelve miles. The British fourth army is on the outskirts of Bray, where

heavy fighting is proceeding. The British are reported to have reached Biefvillers, one and a quarter miles from Bapaume. Fighting is going on there and in the vicinity of Mory, some distance to the east of the Arras-

Bapaume road. A battle is raging furiously in the vicinity of Bibucourt and Sapignes. The Germans are trying desperately to save Bapaume.

## NOYON IS EXPECTED TO FALL INTO BRITISH HANDS ANY HOUR

London, Aug. 24 .- The town of Noyon is expected to fall at any moment, according to information received here this afternoon from the battlefront in France.

# VILLAGE OF BEHAGNIES NOW IN HANDS OF THE BRITISH

With the British Army in France, Aug. 24.—A large number of cannon, including complete batteries of howitzers and trench mortars, have been captured by the British north of the Somme. Immediately south of the river the British have taken twelve cannon.

The village of Behagnies, two miles and a half north of Bapaume, on the Bapaume-Arras highway, has been captured by the British. British forces are operating east of Bihucourt, within two miles and a half of Bapaume, on the west.

British forces are reported to have reached points east of Henin, on the Cojeul River, five miles southeast of Arras. They are in the outskirts of St. Leger, further south, and have captured Ervillers, two miles east of Courcelles. They are still advancing.

# The allied forces suffered no casual- FRENCH PIERCE ENEMY TRENCHES AND TAKE PRISONERS IN LORRAINE

Paris, Aug. 24.—Artillery actions in the region of Lassigny and between the Oise and the Aisne rivers, are reported in the official statement issued at the war office today. Raiding operations in Lorraine also are reported. The text of the statement reads: "In the region of Lassigny and between the Oise and the Aisne.

the night was marked by vigorous artillery actions. "French detachments penetrated enemy trenches in Lorraine at many points and captured prisoners.

# "The night was calm on the rest of the front." OVER 14,000 GERMANS TAKEN

BY BRITISH IN LAST 3 DAYS London, Aug. 24.—British attacks in the Albert sector were resumed this morning, according to an official statement issued by the war office today, which says that the British have made

In the fighting during the last three days the British have captured 14,000 prisoners.

The text of the statement reads: "During the night our troops made progress in the Albert sector took prisoners.

"Early this morning the attack was resumed. "In the three days' fighting, since the morning of August 21 Cotinued on Page Three