OVER 2000 TAKEN

Large Number of Prisoners | Total Casualties at Arras Captured in the Drive Astride the Scarpe

BRITISH PROGRESS

Battle is Slowing up, Although Intermittent **Fighting Continues**

HUNS SURRENDERING

By Courier Leased Wire

With the British Forces in France, Aug. 29.—British troops yesterday completed the capture of Trones wood north of the River Somme. Canadian troops, in their advance astride the Scarpe yesterday, captur-

ed more than 2,000 Germans. While intermittent fighting continues virtually everywhere along the British front, the battle begins to show signs of slowing up. Heavy rain storms have been sweeping over the battle zone since early yesterday morning, and these, at least mo-mentarily, have had the effect of retarding operations.

German resistance this morning seems to have stiffened considerably. The Germans have delivered many counter attacks along the line, but none of them really has gained anything. In virtually every case the counter attacks have finally had disastrous results for the Germans, for when the British did retire at two or three places, it was only for a brief period. When re-attacked, the Germans not only lost the ground which they thought they had regain. ed, but they also suffered many casu-

The principal activity has been in ground. Some of it had not been in essession of the Entente Allied troops since 1914.

This is the case at Vis-en-Artois. and in the surrounding region. Thill of crumbbing front ley, southwest of Bapaume, still is

British but without making any these alleged non-combatant ser-

German machine guns have been east of Mory. The British have withdrew from the positions in the neigh-

made to the east of Vaux.

The fire of the British guns was have to show if this old hooker went concentrated on that region doing up." tremendous damage. Shells burst amic the transports and the concount the

A story of the war n the air, about to be recaptured.

which is so extraordinary as to sound almost improbable, came into ed airplane attacked twelve German chaser muchines and pursued them ter it was itself attacked by twenty German chaser planes, twelve above and eight below. During the en-suing mix-up the British claim they shot down one enemy machine in flames. It then ran for home and was pursued by the other nineterm enemy airplanes. It arrived at its By Courier Leased Wire

Amsterdam Aug. 28 America.

KIDDING THE PUBLIC renders possible the Allied policy of redemption and revival of these oppressed nationalities in lands where, till lately, the Turk held sway. El shot down one enemy machine in field with the pilot wounded, the 200 Amsterdam, Aug. 28.—America server leaning over his body and has been able to transport more than

touched. They also have taken in the British ammunition came in the British ammunition came in the British award a lot of transtery handy and saved a lot of transter the captain said there were very handy and saved a lot of trans-port as it offered bullets and shells 440.000 Americans at the front and when they were needed. Large en | 700,000 more behind the lines.

YES, YES, GO ON!

By Courier Leased Wire Berlin, Aug. 27 .- (Via London) The supplementary statement from the War Office to-night says: "On both sides of Bapaume and north of the Somme the strength of enemy attacks was less than on the previous day. He was repulsed everywhere.

WAGE INCREASES

By Courier Leased Wire Washington, Aug. 29.-Ware increases to all workers now receiving less than 78 cents an hour in sixtysix plants in the munitions and related industries of Bridgeport, Conn are provided in an award of Otto M. tional Labor Board of War to decide controversies between the companies

CANADIAN LOSSES BY THE CANADIANS REMARKABLY LIGHT

Less Than the Prisoners That Were Taken

A SPLENDID FEAT

By Courier Leased Wire With the Canadian forces, Aug. 29 -Our casualties during the day of the battle of Arras were light, being less than the total number of our prisoners. This was especially so on our right where the chief obstacle was overcome by a turning movement, Netiville Vitasse thus falling into our hands with practically no loss. On our left the valley of the Somme and the formidable position of Monchp-le-Preux took a heavy Casualties of the opening day were light, precisely because the whole was a complete surprise. Captured German documents indicate be anticipated, and then follow the

vigilance and tenacity. But the enemy has lost his keenness by successive blows. His intelligence service of the newspapers, and passed pracfor the moment at least seems to have broken down. It is likewise impossible to animate tired troops and as an Arab settlement within a short thinned ranks with the spirit of die in the last ditch. On the other hand in the last ditch. On the other hand every veterah of the Canadian force they made their daring raids upon s possessed with the idea of its inincibility, and glows with pride the old caravan route across the for when he sees the beloved force is midable desert frontier of Et Tih honored by being employed as picked and is the only point where that shock troops and thus, as he goes vital need of an army invading over the top, he is certain beforehand of success, because he knows quantity. But the news item was the enemy can not any longer put into the field units capable of resisting nificance. What, indeed, is the him. He pittles even the stripling prisoners untimely drawn from their gymnasiums. With sure feet he the region of the River Scarpe where goes from victory to victory. All this the British have gained a little more makes for light casualties. Thereafter the enemy's resistance stiffens. He gathers his reserves and concentrates his artillery, though to do so he

Casualties among stretcher parstrongly held by the enemy, but the British maintained a hold on all the our centre and right yesterday were positions in the outskirts of Ba- disproportionately heavy because the enemy was able to bring to bear a There has been further fighting at heavier fire over the captured Delville wood, which yesterday was ground, from his artillery position taken by the British, then lost and north of the Scarpe. The Canadian later taken again. The Germans are ambulances carried on with complacing a large force just to the east plete disregard to its own losses. of this position and are attacking the The true soldier spirit animated

Take the army service corps. The modern army fights on petrol, which means thousands and thousands of borhood of Vraucourt until the ene-tions, and all the needs of the fight-my can be cleaned out. Trones wood has again been captured by the British. Astride the
driver becomes a casualty. It is
ing of Asia with Africa. On the coneasy getting around a muddy battle- trary it severed them once more, as To the south of the river the town field. The too conspicuous motor in the days of the ancient Egyptians, of Foucaucourt, which was in a fair- car is taboo, but the lorries are when, according to Diodorus Siculus, of Fouraucourt, which was in a fair-ly sharp enemy salient, was stormed everywhere. The fare is nothing, that people constructed a canal from privileges unlimited the Gulf of Pelusium, not far from and captured during the night. The operations since midnight have netted the British many acre prison.

Canadians captured astride the Canadians captured to the price of the captured captu

somewhat increased in virtually at ing along in the mud.

This here lorry is doaded with was always to retain the wide desert artillery has been most active. In ammunition, and when the shells be- wastes of Et Tih as a formidable baraddition to firing accurately on the gin to fall those blokes got off in rier against invasion. But the lesand the firing accurately on the a burry," he explained a trifle bitBritish have racked the rear with terly. "Maybe that lot was married the master of Egypt must be the men, and if their number was up, master of Palestine if he was to re-Early this morning an enemy they wanted the missus should get tain his holding secure, and keep movement of fairly large proportable them the descriptions was discovered east of Mory. button, which is about all they'd ert caravan route, which has long

Here is an incident illustrating the spirit of the Canadian force. When they came into this debatable One whole German unit, possibly sector instead of issuing orders for the remains of a battalion suddenly the evacuation of the civilian popu appeared before the British waving lation, the Canadian force issued or-bandkerchiefs as a token of surren- ders for the disposition of the civilian population in the territories

MAKE POOR TARGETS

well over their own lines. Soon at Hard for Subs to Hit, German Staff Officer Explains

guiding the operation of the plane, one million soldiers to France because they have been carried in Recapture Ammunition.

With the Bettish army in France.
Aug. 28.—The British have recaptured large dumps of ammunition which they left behind last spring and which the Germans had not the state of the

gineer dumps which are most use; ul The recent progress of the Allies, in clearing the battlefield wake of the captain attributed to the mass the advancing armies have been cap employment of tanks which had yielded initial successes, but he declared, means had now been found to master them.



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Bridging the Suez Canal

Will Affect the Future

Of Oppressed Nations

BATTLE, like a certain famous ballad, usually appears to centre round a bridge. Military books bristle with "bridge-heads," "pontoons," "trestle bridges." To destroy or hold the passages of a river, or a gorge, men are called upon, sometimes in untold numbers, to make the supreme sacrifice. Without the bridges, the roads or paths are useless, or limited in their utility, and something temporary and makeshift, something that merely serves to accentuate the wastage of war, is hastily substituted to

bridge the gap.

Some bridges, like the famous Roman Pons Sublicius across the Tiber, stir us to inordinate martial ardors and enthusiasms. In what category that an attack in this sector might | must be placed, however, the bridge which, it is announced, has been conisual warnings to commanders for structed across the Suez Canal at El Kantara? Now the announcement occupied only an inconspicuous corner tically without comment. El Kantara, be it said, is known in the Near East distance of Port Said. It formed an the Suez Canal. It is a terminus of Egypt, water, can be had in any appeal to our imagination of the pontoon bridges which a Darius or a Zerxes flung across the Bosphorus for the passage of their invading military hordes, of the huge spans of the Forth or the St. Lawrence, or even of the moonlit duodecimo bridges of Venice, compared with the bridge must expose himself on another part which will now swing to and fro by El Kantara? Connecting the land of the Pharaohs with that of the Israelites, it means that the formidable frontier barrier of the desert of Et Tih has doubtless been conquered for the first time in history. It means that Cairo can now be linked with Jaffa, Jerusalem and Damascus, and that it is only a matter of time when the railroad terminus of the Egyptian-Palestine railway will be extended, by way of Bagdad, to Basrah, on the Persian Gulf. It may mean, in short, that the last of the long series of Christian Crusades has been fought, and that the Chris-

of the Turk. River Scarpe yesterday new number and another to the right. The Tomof the old caravan route to the coast more than 2 000 men counted. The at Et Arish, and on to Gaza. But the The hestile actillery fire but ing along in the mud.

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Oppressive hand of the Turk lay upon the land, and the policy of the ages since been more or less abandoned to Arab tribes. It was the route followed by Napoleon when he marched to Syria with his army, in 1799, and he required something like a week to cross the huge desert frontiers. The Turks in the present war boldly crossed the waterless wastes in order to raid the Suez Canal and conquer Egypt. Their raids were fore-doomed to failure, but the menace was so acute that the Suez Canal became a fortified frontier, in which came a fortined frontier, in which lines of trenches, forts, and battle-ships, together with thousands of in-fantry, played a prominent part. The tables were finally turned, and the greater part of Palestine was taken

tian's Mecca will now and forever be

free from the menace of the shackle

El Kantara, the bridge, stands for an epoch in the lives of the Armenians, the Arabs, and the Jews. It Kantara means liberty and nation-hood for these peoples, and it moves Egypt's line of frontier defence from the Suez to Aleppo, or at least to the northern limits of Et Tih.

Tasted All Right. A Chicago Tribune contributor reading that King George and Queen

Mary recently were treated to buck-wheat cakes and maple syrup at a Y.M.C.A. hut in London, was reminded of a Matthew Arnold story. When Matthew Arnold and his daughter were visiting in Cambridge, Mass., they were invited to breakfast at the home of a Harvard professor and cakes and syrup were served. Arnold tasted his cakes and noticed his daughter was not eating, whereupon he said: "You really ought to try some, dear; they're not nearly so nasty as they look."

For She Is a Canadian Mary Pickford—our Mary—is now Honorary Colonel Mary Pickford of the 143rd United States Field Artillery, of which unit she also is godmother. Needless perhaps to say, she looks well in the uniform.

The Lawyers Again! Out of the \$535 awarded him by the court in a recent civil suit, a Thamesville resident received in cash \$200. The remainder was absorbed by the middlemen—in this case the

Children Cry FOR FLETCHER'S CASTORIA ONCE PRIVATE.

Lack Ability to Lead

London, Aug. 28.—Godfrey Jones. Welsh mine foreman, who enlisted By Courier Leased Wire early in the war as a private and who yesterday was nominated to be Ford. Detroit automobile manufacof the choice of the mine officials with torial nomination, was to-day on the whom he was connected for years as face of returns from more than half lacking the ability to lead men.

Jones, who is thirty-six years old, attended night school as a boy and finally obtained his diploma. He was appointed foreman in a mine, but did not make good and was reduced to the ranks of a digger. Given another chance he succeeded.

Shortly after the war broke out ones joined the Cardiff "Pals" battalion of the South Wales Borderers. He speedily was made corporal and rapidly rose to the rank of sergeantmajor. Later he received a commis sion. Jones went to France in the autumn of 1915 and soon afterwards was transferred to Saloniki, where ne won the Distinguished Service Order and promotion to a lieutenantolonelcy. Three weeks ago he obtained leave to go home and marry war hospital worker. The direcors of the mining company with which he was formerly employed have decided to create a special posttion for him on his return to civil

PEOPLE NEED "DUTCH COURAGE London, Aug. 28.-Since the Entente Allies have wrested the initiative from General Ludendorff on the Western front the effect on the German people is such that it has been necessary to apply continuous verbal stimulants and they are officially exhorted "to be men" and to be

'stout-hearted." There has been more than a sugestion of panic and it has been cessary for General von Stein, the russian War Minister, to fill more than three columns in the Berlin newspapers with reproaches to the people who credit and repeat fantastie rumors of disaster. It appears to have been freely stated among other things that Germany has lost 150,000 prisoners in the recent fighting and that the German troops have been betrayed. General von Stein tells the Germans to look at France for an example. He says: "Every Frenchman believes in final victory with a steadiness which forces admiration."

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FORD IS BOTH

Geoffrey Jones Was Said to Running on Double Candidacy for United States

Detroit, Mich., Aug. 28.-Henry brigadier-general, was once confor the choice of the Michigan sena-

According to The Daily Mail, in Tuesday's State-wide primaries. the State was both winner and loser Commander Truman H. Newberry of Detroit former secretary of the navy, les von the Republican nomination for United States Senator by a vote which incomplete returns indicate may equal the total number of votes polled by both Ford and former Governor Osborn. Only a light vote was cast for William G. Simpson of Detroit, the other Re-publican candidate.

IS NOW GENERAL WINNER AND LOSER ets, won an easy race from his lone opponent, James W. Helme, figures this morning being 2 to 1 in favor

of his candidacy.

Amsterdam, Aug. 28.—Emperor Charles and Empress Zita have arrived at Dresden to visit the King of saxony. After remaining there a day they will go to Munich, the captal of Bavaria, and Stuttgart, the ecompanied by Baron Burian, the Austro-Hungarian foreign minister.

SEEK TO AVERT STRIKE. Courier Leased Wire

Ottawa, Aug. 28.—The Minister of Labor and the officials of the Department of Labor are endeavoring to avert the threatened strike of the C.P.R. commercial telegraph operators, who declined to accept the majority report of the board of con- Mediterranean by a French patrol ciliation recommending salary increases insufficient to satisfy their admitted that Schwieger was killed In the Demogratic balloting, how-tinuing to recommend an appeal September, 1917,

ever, the Detroit manufacturer, who from the decision of the board either to the new labor board of appeal or to the Railway War Labor Board. On behalf of the company it is urged that when a similar difficulty was inquired into a year ago the representative of the company made a AUSTRIAN RULERS ON TOUR.

minority report, but the company accepted the majority report with me modifications.

SCHWEIGER NOT CAPTURED. Paris, Aug. 28.—(Havas Agency) The Ministry of Marine denies capital of Wurttemberg. They are that a French patrol boat has captured Lieut. Schwieger, who commanded the submarine which sank the Lusitania. It is declared that that this German officer died some

A despatch from Paris Tuesday eported The Paris Journal as saying that Lieut. Schwieger had been among those rescued from the crew of a German submarine sunk in the boat. The German Admiralty has demands. The department is con- in an accident in the North Sea in

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