

## FRENCH OUTLOOK GREATLY CHANGED

Military Events of the Past Five Months Are Summed Up.

### THREAT AGAINST PARIS

HAVE BEEN REMOVED BY ALLIED OFFENSIVE.

The Railway From Paris Now Operates to Calais—The Germans Have Lost the Initiative.

Washington, Aug. 30.—André Tardieu, High Commissioner of Franco-American war co-operation, who is now in Paris, has given to the Associated Press by cable a comprehensive statement summing up the military events of the last five months and showing their bearing on the present war situation. He says German prisoners declare that if the whole army of the United States shows the same dash as those who have been in action so far the German cause is lost.

M. Tardieu relates how the events in Russia, by giving Germany a crushing superiority, allowed the enemy from March on to undertake large offensive operations directly threatening Paris, putting Amiens, the pivot of the Franco-British troops, under fire and cutting off railway communications with the east and north. This was on July 18. On August 3rd the enemy was brought back on the Vesle, the road to Nancy was freed and the access to Paris by the Marne was barred through operations in which American troops played a prominent part.

Powerful German Army. But the German army was still powerful and its losses were counter-balanced by the gains of the preceding offensive. M. Tardieu says. Then the British army assumed the offensive. Amiens was liberated; Montdidier fell, the armies of Generals Debeney and Humbert started a war of position and on August 19th the French reached the Oise, south of Noyon with Mangin's army. The events up to the 23rd, when the main British attack began, are described, and M. Tardieu continues: "Though it is too soon as yet to sum up as a whole the military operations extending from August 5th to August 25th, since the battle is still in progress, the following results have already been obtained:

1. Paris is no longer threatened.
  2. Our direct communications by rail between Paris and Calais have been re-established, as had been those between Paris and Nancy on July 29th.
  3. Our third aim, to wrest the initiative from the Germans, has likewise been attained.
- "The instructions given by the German high command to the German troops are now of a decidedly defensive nature. They confess that the situation is serious for Germany. Judging from reliable documents, it seems that only twenty-four fresh divisions, that is to say, twenty-four divisions having been withdrawn from the firing line for at least a month, are now all the actual German reserves."

**Forty-seven Divisions.**  
"Twenty-three others are being re-formed. Forty-seven divisions, whose morale was considerably shaken, constitute the Germans' last reserve in the present battle."  
"The answers of prisoners, secret documents and letters addressed to German soldiers reveal a great discouragement among them. They no longer believe in victory, and with them it is only a question of holding on to save Germany from disaster. Germany knows now that

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the French and English reserves are not exhausted, and at last she begins to learn the value of the help that America brings to the Allies. She realizes that the American divisions before July 18th asserted that they the vesle and strengthened by a constant flow of new divisions are in themselves a menace every day more imminent.

**Did Not Believe It.**  
The German officers taken prisoner before July 18 asserted that they did not believe in the possibility of the participation of the Americans in the battle. "Those made prisoner in the last operations recognize that the fighting qualities of the Americans are exceedingly great, and their tenacity extraordinary. "If the whole American army," they added, "shows the same dash, the German cause is lost."



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### BLOW TO SUMMER HOTELS

At Thousand Islands Was Stopping Sunday Traffic. Watertown, N.Y., Aug. 30.—The prohibition of motor car traffic on Sundays is a blow to summer hotels and resorts along the St. Lawrence river, Lake Ontario and throughout the foothills of the Adirondacks, and an early closing of all such resorts is predicted. A number of the Adirondack hotels, however, will remain open for the hunting season. While the idleness of the passenger car will not seriously effect the week-day business of the resorts, including guests and patrons who spend regular vacations, many places along the lakes and at Clayton and Alexandria, Bay to a large Sunday trade, especially featuring Sunday dinners. The regular river season is generally considered to close on Labor Day, but most resorts, especially those on the main shores, remain open past that date and receive many local guests. The season has been an unusually dull one, being marked by fewer motor touring parties as well as an absence of pleasure yachts.

### SARTORIAL PROBLEM.

Tailors Finding It Very Hard To Get Woollens. Toronto, Aug. 30.—The tailors of Canada are going to be hard hit this season to obtain woollens to meet the demands of the custom tailoring trade, for the simple reason that the British mills are not producing the goods, according to the statements of men who should know. It may yet be a case of being compelled to wear the plain grey standardized cloths that Great Britain is using herself. Just for the present Canadian people will have to be satisfied with what there is to be had, and will have to pay the maximum prices at that.

### NEW CHIEF JUSTICE.

Hon. L. Pelletier Said to be Slated to Succeed Sir H. Archambault. Ottawa, Aug. 30.—Hon. L. Pelletier, former Postmaster-General of Canada, and now a member of the Quebec Court of King's Bench, will probably be appointed in the near future to the Chief Justiceship of Quebec in succession to the late Chief Justice, Sir Horace Archambault.

### The Man on Watch

But never mind, Bushell's fair will soon be on and the rest of the conductorettes will have a chance to be exhibited.

Germany is not the only place where there are mixed bathing scandals. The censor will not permit details.

There appears to be very strenuous greater production work at Wilton, where one man fell off a stack and was cut up and two others were buried under a load of grain in speeding it up. They do not work that hard around Battersea, where everybody goes fishing.

Everything has gone up on the market but the tolls "Bill" McCammon squeezes out of the farmers. Why not give the tolls a boost?

The Lampman would like to see Charles H. Powell elected to the City Council, as that body needs a shaking up, and he is one who could put more life into the civic government.

Mayor Hughes must have had a high old time at Battersea's harvest dinner 'tother day. It is not recorded by the Battersea scribe how many sandwiches his Worship consumed or if he danced with the village belles, but the Lampman knows that John would rather take part in this Battersea event than attend a circus.

What's the matter with that Portsmouth boardwalk leading to Mowat hospital? Have the girls worn it out sitting on it with their saddies in the evenings?

The Lampman is told that down Joyceville way they get the war news rather twisted, and declare that some Frontenacs who have been shooting up the Huns have not been to the front at all. Last week some of the brethren who thought this way now think differently, as a former schoolmaster appeared in their midst, while they were in convention, and gave them the facts, prefaced by his opinion of those who bore false witness against their neighbors. —THE TOWN WATCHMAN.

### HUN REVERSES AFFECT THE GERMAN EMPRESS

Depressed by Czar's Fate and German Food Troubles, Defeat as Final Blow.

Paris, Aug. 31.—A woman belonging to the Dutch aristocracy, says a radio despatch from The Hague, received a letter from a friend belonging to the German court, referring to the illness of the German empress. The friend wrote that for more than a year the empress had been subject to severe headaches, accompanied by fainting spells and hallucinations. She was greatly affected by the arrest of the Czar and Czarina of Russia, and became possessed of the idea that revolutionary ideas would spread in Germany. It was her custom to shut herself in her room for hours at a time reading newspaper articles about the difficulties in Russia and the food troubles in her own country. The Kaiser, constantly on the move, could not or did not spend much time comforting her.

The Czar's murder and the fate of the Czarina, who was a German princess, upset her terribly. Later came the German reverses on the west front, and so serious did her malady become that she was compelled to take to her bed. Some of the doctors in attendance think she will recover with rest, but the writer of the letter expresses the opinion that she will never recover.

### SAFE CONDUCT NO AVAIL.

The Allies Will Not Recognize German Arrangements. Paris, Aug. 30.—By a decree issued yesterday, neutral vessels operating under safe conducts issued by an enemy country will not be recognized by the Allies, and both vessels and cargo are liable to seizure. The decree stipulates that any neutral vessel which flies a false or enemy control by receiving an enemy safe conduct, which is not recognized by the Allies and is in opposition to the exercise of their belligerent rights, will be considered, unless proof of the contrary is furnished, that it is navigating in enemy interests and, therefore, subject to capture and confiscation, together with the merchandise or enemy property constituting the cargo.

### BAN GERMAN LANGUAGE.

South Africa Will Not Have Any More Of It. London, Aug. 30.—The South African Government is drafting regulations to prevent the use of the German language in public places. At a mass meeting at Pietermaritzburg protest was made against the increased cost of living, and the appointment of a Food Controller demanded, together with the restriction of urban rents.

### Farmers Will Burn Wood.

Woodstock, Aug. 30.—The farmers of this district will use very little coal this winter. Last winter considerable quantities of good wood was cut and is now dry and ready to burn. The coal dealers say very few applications have been made for coal from the farmers; but instead the farmers, besides securing their own fuel, are also preparing to relieve the fuel situation in Woodstock this winter by delivering wood here.

For every man who achieves greatness there are millions who fail to have it thrust upon them.



## Not One Canadian Soldier Has Lost His Life Going "Over There"

FEW of us thoroughly appreciate the part that is being played by the Merchant Marine in the winning of the war. The ships that carry our soldiers across, through the perils of the Atlantic, are manned by the men of the Merchant Marine. The submarine cannot claim to have taken the life of one Canadian soldier going to France! The ships that carry munitions, supplies and FOOD "over there" are merchant vessels, and it was, and is, the main object of the submarine to frighten the men of the Merchant Marine off the seas. 15,000 men of this service have paid the price but still 300,000 "carry on," regardless of the peril. We are proud to take care of the widows, orphans and dependents of these brave men. The Government makes no provision for them. Right or wrong, this is the fact: It leaves us with a duty and a privilege—to provide for the dependents of the men of the Merchant Marine, who are nobly dying in the cause.

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We often hear of a middle-aged man, but never a middle-aged woman. A woman is either young or old.

Vladimir Bourzoff, the Russian revolutionist, says he has received advice from Russia that Gen. Korniloff is living.

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