mounces New Award for Honor Open to Civilians, Coming Second to Victoria Cross—Sympathy for Bereaved Parents

LONDON, Sept. 23.—"After the present trials will esuredly come victory," King George said today in a madcast to the Empire. He said "There is much to en-

His Majesty spoke in an underground shelter at nckingham Palace during an air raid.

The King announced the creation of a "new mark of Mediterranean war for Africa and onor for men and women in all walks of civilian life." Meanterranean war for Africa and the Near East quickened in tempo e was giving his own name to the award and it would today as the Royal Navy and the known as the George Cross. It would rank next to Royal Air Force raided Italian Victoria Cross, the greatest award for valor to the positions and the Egyptian govighting forces.

The King also disclosed that he had instituted the munique said that the warship eorge medal for wider distribution and expressed a fleet had attacked Italian positions pecial word of gratitude for the air raid precautions about Sidi Barrani "with good re-

His Majesty paid tribute to the British people for indicate that the first pitched peir courage and cheerful faith in their country, the battle between British and Italian use and final victory.

The walls of London might be battered but the spirit Matru. London and its people would stand undismayed. There would always be an England, "the symbol of the Italians from Sidi Barrani.

berty and freedom and our own dear home." The King expressed sympathy for the parents of chil- the same Premier as before: has China were reported at the point

en lost in the sinking by German torpedo attack of the been formed for Egypt. It is pledg- of breakdown over the demands ritish ship in the Atlantic last Tuesday. There was no ed to full co-operation with Great of Japan which were said to be other proof than in that foul doed of "the wieled by Britain without immediate declaration for the establishment of military rther proof than in that foul deed of "the wickedness tion of war until such time as the rainst which we fight."

These were grim days and there might be grimmer dependence of Egypt which, owing

However, His Majesty urged all to keep up their con- not do. dence in final victory, to put their "trust in God and the conquerable spirit of the British people."

TODAY'S STOCKS

(Courtesy 8. D. Johnston Co.)

Vancouver

Cariboo Quartz, 2.00 ,(bid).

Big Missouri. .04.

Dentonia, .01 (ask).

Hedley Mascot, .45 bid).

Reeves McDonald, .25 (ask).

Cariboo Hudson, .021/2 (ask).

Royal Canadian, .10 (bid).

Prairie Royalties, .11 (ask).

Central Pat., 1.85 (bid).

Cons. Smelters, 38.3/4.

East Malartic, 3.30.

Fernland, .03 (ask).

Toronto

Relief Arlington, .021/4.

Bralorne, 9.85.

Fairview, .001/4.

Gold Belt, 22.

Noble Five, .001/4.

Pacific Nickel, .06.

Pend Oreille, 1.55.

Minto, .01.

Pioneer, 2.05.

Premier, .96.

Privateer, .42.

Reno, .19 (ask).

Salmon Gold, .02.

Sheep Creek, .95.

A. P. Con., .15.

C. & E., 1.48.

Home, 1.90.

Okalta, .90.

Mercury, .041/2.

Aldermac, .20.

Francoeur, .38.

Hardrock, .95.

Moneta, .61.

Uchi, .40.

Bouscadillac, .02.

Smelters Gold, .001/4.

Dominion Bridge, 28.00.

ABDUCTED CHILD HOME

year-old Marc de Tristan jr. is

safe and unharmed at his home

here after being kidnapped and

Wilhelm Neuhlenbruk, an unnat-

a hide-out with the child.

HILLSBOROUGH, Cal.—Three-

Mosher, .061/2.

Oklend, .061/2.

Gods Lake, .34.

Int Nickel, 3758.

Kerr Addison. 2.67.

Little Long Lac, 2.10.

McLeod Cockshutt, 2.45.

Madsen Red Lake, .44.

McKenzie Red Lake, .96.

Beattie, .95.

Calmont, .25 (ask).

Pacalta, .05 (ask).

DAKAR IS ATTACKED MCHY.—Officials here claimed night that British warships had gen firing on Dakar, French est Africa, today, after General barles DeGaulle, leader of the tte French forces fighting with e British, gave the order from a ritish flagship. (It was disclosed London that DeGaulle had ne to Dakar.)

SPAIN DENIES IT MADRID.—An official stateat by the Spanish government terday labelled as absurd res that Spain was entering war on the side of Germany. was admitted, however, that n could not remain in the stion of a calm observer.

BIG BERTHAS BUSY DOVER.—German Big Bertha shelled the Dover coast e yesterday.

## CGEER

ANCOUVER, Sept. 23: (CP)a the two principal polling ces of Powell River and Ocean as accounted for, 24 out of 46 in the Mackenzie provincial election show: Manfred Mc-Liberal, 2167; Grant Mc-4, C.C.F., 1716. The election McGeer is conceded as polls to be heard from are small their sum total could hardly of the result.

SATURDAY SCORES American League eveland 0, Detroit 5. oston 4, New York 5. hicago 2, St. Louis 3. National League . Incinnati 8-7, Pittsburg 1-8. hiladelphia 4, Brooklyn 2. Louis 3, Chicago 4

SUNDAY SCORES National League incinnati 2-1, Pittsburg 1-8. t. Louis 8-2, Chicago 1-1. ew York 3-7, Boston 4-3. American League

leveland 10, Detroit 5. oston 3, New York 6. hicago 10, St. Louis 0. Philadelphia

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Attacks Presage Pitched Battle-New Egyptian Government Is Formed

ernment invoked martial law as sults" early Sunday.

forces may be at hand near Marsa

The British are reported to be moving up from Alexandria and

A new government, headed by Italian invasion threatens the in-... to the slight importance of the territory so far occupied, it does

RIBBENTROP HOME

ROME.—German Foreign Minister Joachim von Ribbentrop left for Berlin today following his discussions with Premier Mussolini in regard to future action in the Mediterranean. The attitude of Russia, United States, Egypt, Spain, Greece and Turkey came in for discussion.

PROVINCIAL

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Japanese Make Attack on Indo-China But Reported Agreement Brings Cessation

HANOI, French Indo-China, Sept. 23: (CP)—Official French quarters said today that Japanese troops attacked Dong Dang on the Chinese border, 120 miles north of this capital, last night, but ceased fighting in the face of strong French resistance. A Reuters News Agency dispatch from Shanghai said that fight- + ing had ceased after a Japanese-French agreement had been & signed over the Indo-China ques-

Kong said that French-Japanese + directed to protest against mission planned to leave.

Over the week-end negotiations between Japan and French Indoand naval bases as well as the right to send troops through Indo-China for an lattack from that direction upon China. Later, however, it was reported that the Japanese had moderated their demands and that the tension had eased.

WELL OVER TOP OTTAWA .- The Second Canadian war loan was well oversubscribed with applications totalling \$342,000,000. Orders of some of the large investors have been cut down in order to take care of smaller applications.

### Eighty-Seven Children And 206 Adults Lose Lives In Cruel Attack of Submarine

# Singapore

On Sunday an authoritative + announces that the consuldispatch from Hanoi to Hong + general in Singapore has been + negotiations had broken off again + the arrest there of six Japan- 4 on Japan's demand for military + ese and demand their immedi- + privileges and all the Japanese + ate release. The Foreign Of- + + fice said that one of the + + the Japanese consulate and + + that the consulate safe had + been sealed.

CANBERRA, Sept. 23.—Early returns from the Australian general election indicated the return of Premier R. G. Menzies United Australia-Country party coalition tion appears to have gained three land ports. seats Premier Menzies was remantle.

• Dastardly Torpedo Attack Occurred Last Tuesday Night in Stormy Atlantic 600 Miles at Sea in Dead of Night

LONDON, Sept. 23.—Announcement was made Sunday night of the sinking by a German submarine torpedo attack in an Atlantic Ocean storm last Tuesday night of a refugee ship bound from Britain to Canada. Eightyseven children and 206 adults lost their lives. Six hundred miles offshore in heavy seas, the attack was made

without warning in the pitch dark of night. The vessel sank twenty minutes after the attack. It goes down as one of the worst marin disasters of the war. Seven of the persons, including children, died in adult victims were men and women escorts of the children.

Survivors totalled 113 persons and gled in the water. Other children included thirteen children, 18 wo- behaved magnificently, singing men and 82 men. There were 406 "Roll Out the Barrel" and other persons on board including passen- songs. gers and crew.

instantly by explosion when the where U-boats usually venture.

bound ship were picked up hours cluding one of three boys and angovernment. The Labor opposi- on west coast of England and Scot- which had lost its home by bomb-

elected in his own seat but the since the torpedo sinking early in under the government evacuation Labor leader, John Curtin, suf- July of the Arandora Star with; scheme. fered personal defeat in Fre- German prisoners of war on board. Chilled by icy wind and hail and

drenched by rain as they drifted I throughout the night in giant seas from 10 p.m. until after dawn, some the lifeboats before the rescue scenes of horror as children strug-

The vessel had been convoyed Many of the children were killed well beyond the point in the ocean

torpedo struck and tore out part Of the 87 children who perished of the ship's side. Others died in 43 were boys and 44 girls. They ranged in age from five to fifteen The survivors of the Montreal- years. Whole families were lost inlater from rafts and life-boats by other of three daughters. Five nearby warships and were landed children of a London family of ten ing were lost. The most of the The disaster was the greatest children were being sent to Canada

> The captain went down gallantly with his ship. He was last seen from the stern giving orders as to the use of lifeboats.

Another who lost his life was Col. Baldwin Webb, a Birmingham steel manufacturer and member of Parliament, who was on his way to Canada in connection with Red Cross work.

Announcement of the disaster was withheld until after the safe arrival of other evacuee children who were on the ocean at the same time and in order to save anxiety unnecessarily.

AIR RAIDS Geofrey Shakespeare, Under Sec-retary of Home Security, on behalf of the government, today exespecially women and children, were given little chance of survival. It was an act of barbarism comparable with the bombing on London, Shakespeare said.

LONDON, Sept. 23 .- At least The British press today generally twenty German bombers were agreed that the "revolting tragedy" shot down in a series of vicious entailed by the sinking of the dog-fights as the Royal Air Force evacuee ship "must not be allowed today broke up an invading force to slow up the speed of overseas

its 115th air raid alarm of the at Washington, D. C., over the atwar early this afternoon with rocity, dispatches received here

Four churches were bombed on Sunday. One was a fifteenth cen-LONDON, Sept. 23.—The assault tury church in the southeast, which,

### Last Night

but the extent of damage done was An official communique yester- not disclosed. Three different areas some isolated enemy aircraft had night's attack. One hospital was hit. ing. Antewerp, Dunkerque, Ostend, had been unable to get through to country, there was relatively little day. Some optimism is expressed CALGARY, Sept. 23: (CP)-Royal Calais, Le Havre and Boulogne all Hacburg or Berlin Saturday. The activity. In the southeast part of that the worst of the day attacks the kidnapping. Loggers in the Canadian Mounted Police, assisted experienced the dropping of bombs people of Berlin were driven to London may be over owing to Sierra Nevada mountains became by the militia and a trained police hour after hour. Naval and shore their shelters for two hours and been hit. Four enemy planes had the heavy losses of the Germans in suspicious of the movements of an automobile and intercepted the abductor who was heading for the abductor who was heading for the movements of the heavy losses of the Germans in the heavy losses of the heavy losses of the Germans in the heavy losses of the Heavy losses of the Heavy losses of the Germans in the heavy losses of the Heavy losses of the Heavy losses of the Germans in the heavy losses of the Germans in the heavy losses of the Germans in the heavy losses of the night raids.

## Week-End Raids Widespread

### Bunks In

LONDON, Sept. 23: (CP) - + \* The construction of a million \* + bunks in London's air raid +, + shelters and the distribution of + + ear plugs to all people in the + + metropolitan area is an-+ + nounced by the government. + + Shelters will be kept open + + twenty-four hours a day and + + seven days a week. The bunks + + will be double or treble- + + banked. Sanitary appliances + + placed in the shelters.

# BLAST IN

DOVER, New Jersey, Sept. 23: (CP)-Two persons were killed and ships and another twelve. There six injured today in an explosion were direct hits on transport and at the United States Army's Picatinny arsenal near here. It was 12 which took a toll of fifty lives.

NAVAL SHIP TORPEDOED ly by an Italian submarine, off facilities. the coast of Spain.

uralized German who entered this country in 1935 from Vancouver, is under arrest after confessing prarie internment camp Sunday. drive to break up the projected capital.

### Staggering Blows Are Shelters: Dealt To Enemy Bases On Coast of Channel Enemy Concentrates on British at the act in which passengers,

Spectacular Blazes All Along Shore for Many Miles After Royal Air Force Hits All Manner of Military Objectives

LONDON, Sept. 23.—The Royal Air Force has de-+ and first-aid posts will also be + livered disastrous blows almost continuously since Saturday morning not only on German channel bases but also on Nazi convoyed shipping along the French coast with telling effect. Using wave after wave of planes, the British are now hammering both night and day at enemy military objectives as far removed as Trondheim in ETA

> Royal Air Force of two convoys yesconvoy vessels.

From the British side, the entire tish planes bombed Trondheim the second fatal munitions plant Nazi-controlled shore of France and northward along the Norblast in the Dover area in a fort- from Dunkerque to Boulogne ap- wegian coast to Namsos last night, the first having been an ex- peared aglow with fierce red night. One British plane is replosion at the Kenville plant of the flames throughout Saturday night ported to have been shot down Hercules Powder Co. on September as widespread fires blazed follow- and two others made forced ing the heaviest bombing attack so landings in Sweden where their far in the war by the Royal Air crews were interned. Force. The nocturnal blaze, visi- Even Berlin admits "a system LONDON. - The sloop H.M.S. as the "biggest spectacle of the (the British) on ports of western Dundee has been torpedoed and war." Tons of bombs were dropped Germany and Nazi-occupied ports sunk. The crew numbered 100. by the British with telling effect of the Channel "striking with the There were some casualties. A on naval vessels, barges, merch-regularity of clockwork." The Spanish trawler has been tor- and ships, docks, oil tanks, supply Germans complain that civilians

military objectives as far removed as Trondheim in Norway. "Con- invasion at its bases continued

spicuous success" is reported to without let up. All British bombers ARSENAL spicuous success" is reported to without let up. A have attended the bombing by the returned safely. terday — one containing fifteen were blown up. IN NORWAY TOO

The Stockholm newspaper Da-

pedoed and sunk, almost certain- depots, railway yards and shore have been killed and houses and Rotterdam, Amsterdam, Flush- however, that the Royal Air Force

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LONDON IS

### TWENTY NAZIS DOWN

of enemy aircraft apparently evacuation." heading for London. London had There were many bitter words anti-aircraft batteries going into Said. action. The enemy had little success on this occasion in penetrating the London defences.

At Rotterdam, one of the main being one of the heaviest of the after sustaining a direct bomb hit, targets, oil tanks and tank barges war. London had its sixteenth con- was nothing but a mass of rubble. secutive night of Nazi air raiding, A hospital chapel was also struck. starting before dusk Sunday evening after a comparatively quiet gens Nyheter reports that Bri- day. The all-clear came midway During last night there were a between midnight and dawn, nu- number of fatal casualties in Lonmerous bombs were dropped in don as enemy aircraft, coming in various parts of the city during a relays or single or small numbers of number of hours and there was fur- planes, engaged in scattered bombther damage and fairly heavy cas-ings over rather widespread areas. ualties. There were widespread Ger- Houses and industrial premises man air thrusts at other parts of were hit. There were also some atthe country but they were not tacks on southeast England. Two greatly intensive or damaging. The bombs recently struck the British ble for fifty miles, was described of nightly attacks by the enemy mass attack technique is being changed to sending over raiders museum, it was announced today, singly or in small numbers.

day afternoon said that, although of the capital bore the brunt of last churches struck. Germany said, come over the east and southeast There were three alarms on Sun-

### Noranda, 571/4. Pickle Crow, 2.75. Preston East Dome, 1.96. San Antonio, 2.00. Sherritt Gordon, .75.

ew York 3, Boston 1.

hiladelphia 2-2, Brooklyn 10-5.