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## War News.

### Messages Received

Previous to 9 A. M.

#### ITALIANS' GOOD WORK.

ROME, Aug. 26.

Italian troops on the Isonzo front are marching to complete victory. At Udine, Salvatore Barzilai, Civil Governor of the Austrian territory occupied by the Italian army, when informed of the complete victory of the Italians exclaimed: "At last our soldiers have achieved this magnificent thing, they have freed our soil from their ancient enemy." The final success of the Italians in winning their greatest battle in this war is thrilling the country as never before. Both the army and civilians now see the result of their two years' suffering and economic hardship. The victory came unexpectedly notwithstanding the encouraging bulletins of the last fortnight. It is General Cadorna's rule never to announce an event until certain that his troops are able to hold their new positions.

The Italians have made a further advance on the Isonzo front, north of Gorizia, closely pursuing the Austrians. The war office announces that Austrian counter-attacks on the Carso have been repulsed and the number of prisoners has been increased to more than 23,000, in addition to which a great amount of booty has been captured. The statement follows: The action north of Gorizia from Aug. 19th onward, may be summarized as follows: Troops of the Second Army, after having thrown 14 bridges across the Isonzo under fire of the enemy, passed over the river on the night of August 19 and 20, and proceeded to attack the Bainsizza plateau. Directing themselves toward the Jelenik front they went around three enemy defensive lines, Senner, Kobelk and Madont. They attacked the same lines from the front and broke through despite the enemy's most stubborn defence. The consequence of this manoeuvre was the capture of Monte Santo. Our troops are now continuing their advance toward the eastern border of the Bainsizza plateau, hotly pursuing the enemy, who is making violent resistance with large parties of machine gunners and with light artillery. On the Carso yesterday the battle came to a standstill temporarily. Our small advances rectified the captured positions which were consolidated, and the enemy's attempted counter-attack failed under our fire. Prisoners thus far number 600 officers and 23,000 men. We have captured 75 guns, including two 305

millimetres, numerous mortars and many guns of medium calibre, a great number of horses, an airplane in perfect order, many trench mortars, machine guns and all kinds of war material including some mortar tractors loaded with munitions. The enormous difficulty of sending supplies to our troops across a zone in which there are no roads, has been surmounted in part because of the enemy during his retirement.

The battle between the Italians and Austrians still rages, with the Austrians stubbornly retreating at many points, including the Lower Carso. Numerous messages from the front received by ministers indicate that the Italians are making swift strides for victory. When asked for an expression of his opinions on the result thus far achieved in the battle, Lieut.-Gen. Count Cadorna, Commander-in-Chief of the Italian forces smilingly replied, "we are doing nicely." The official statement on the result of the battle shows the demoralization of the Austrian troops is in part due to the extraordinary aerial and artillery work of the Italians which has destroyed not only the lines of communication but has resulted in the burning of all the main supply food stations of the Austrians, who for the past week have been starving at many points between Tolmino and the sea. This accounts for the unusual number of prisoners and wounded prisoners taken on the left. Austrians from all causes are reckoned at nearly 100,000, the most important of which, in the Carso region, have not yet been officially announced. It is said that among the losses of the Austrians are many men of the famous 12th division, popularly known as the Iron Division.

#### FRENCH VICTORY.

PARIS, Aug. 25. The French scored a new victory on the Verdun front last night, north of Hill 304. The fortified works near Bethincourt were captured. The statement follows: In Belgium there were rather violent artillery engagements in the region of Bischofschoot, South of St. Quentin our detachments penetrated a German trench yesterday evening, and brought back thirty-one prisoners. Another raid west of Pantheon also, resulted in the taking of prisoners. In the Champagne the artillery fighting became intense in the region of the heights. Enemy surprise attacks near Vauquois and south of St. Quentin were completely repulsed. On the left bank of the Meuse, our troops made new progress north of Hill 304. In a brilliant action last night they carried three fortified works in the vicinity of Bethincourt. The number of wounded prisoners taken on the left bank of the river yesterday was 450. This brings up the total to 6,100. The night was calm on the remainder of the front.

#### CAPTURE OF HILL 304.

LONDON, Aug. 26.

(Via Reuter's Ottawa Agency.) Reuter's representative at the French army headquarters telegraphing on Saturday says the attack yesterday morning which added Hill 304 to the list of positions captured on the left bank of the Meuse was over in less than two hours. The men had to charge through marshes in the valley of death in many places up to their waist in water, but neither water, gas nor high explosives could stop them. This advance brings our line up to the natural frontier on Norges Brook and deprives the enemy of what was practically his last effective observation point on the left bank of the river. It is symptomatic of the determination of the Germans to hold

out on the line of heights captured on the 20th and 21st that the proportion of officers and prisoners is almost 50 per cent higher than usual. Among the 7,500 prisoners captured in the first two days there are 301 officers. On the 15th of December when over 11,000 prisoners were made the haul included only 208 officers. The Brandenburg reserve division was practically wiped out as a fighting unit. Of its three regiments 69 officers and 2,794 men, well over one-third of its entire bayonet strength, were captured. A whole divisional organization with its cooks, cyclists and even its band, fell into our hands. The band had been sent into the front line on Goose Hill to take their part in the battle as fighting men and were captured on Monday morning with all that was left of the division. The long locks of the musicians distinguished them at 100 yards from the rank and file of German prisoners, whose heads are shaved like those of convicts in England, and it was their unwonted profusion of having adorned which led to the discovery of their real business as soldiers. In order to prevent a recurrence of the wholesale surrenders of the 15th December the German command had done their utmost to inspire their men with a dread of being made prisoners. A little brochure was distributed among the men of the front line purporting to have been written by a German captured on the 15th December, giving the most horrifying accounts of the suffering of German prisoners of war in France, describing imaginary wrongs and insults heaped upon them by the French and the general state of starvation and misery in which they live. Some eight thousand of the enemy nevertheless preferred capture even on these terms to a longer sojourn within the range of the French guns. Few of them in the crowded prisoners' camps behind the front seem to regret the change.

talion of the enemy occupied a part of the trenches in the region of Martinerka, but a counter attack restored the position. On the Romanian front the Romanians repulsed enemy attacks in the direction of Oena. South of Smergen, our artillery brought down a German airplane.

#### RELIEF FOR BELGIANS.

WASHINGTON, Aug. 25.

The Belgians will get food quickly and neutrals will have some of their wants supplied through an arrangement entered into yesterday by the Food Commission and the governments of neutral countries. It was decided to let thirty or more Dutch ships sail at once from an Atlantic port, carrying grain owned by the Netherlands government, on the condition that the greater part of the cargoes shall be used for the relief of Belgians. It was also announced that the Swedish mission had sold at cost 552,000 bushels of wheat in this country to Belgian relief. The wheat was bought by the Swedish government last January, and has been held in elevators ever since. This will go forward immediately in ships to be secured by the Belgian relief commission and will take cargo space of several large freighters. In return the Swedish Government will be allowed to ship 270,000 bushels of rye, of the forward immediately in ships to be

## Our Baseball Column.

### PLAGIARISED AND OTHERWISE.

#### TO-MORROW NIGHT'S GAME

The last but one game of the season will be played to-morrow night when the Wanderers and B. I. S. will try conclusions. The former must win to have a chance of the pennant while should the Irish lose and the Lions win their game with the Cubs, then the Hiltz crew are champions. The result of the game therefore has every bearing on the championship.

#### STARTS EARLY.

Umpire-in-Chief Chesman has ordered that owing to the shortness now of the evenings, to-morrow night's game will start at 6.15. So players, please take notice.

#### THE WANDERER REFRAIN.

I remember—I remember—one year ago to-day,  
When we were rushing to the front along the winning way.  
But now it gives us little joy,—in fact it makes us soar,  
To know we're getting farther from the pennant every hour.

I remember—I remember—our rose embowered fate,  
When Punky in a happy vein was winning his games straight.  
Alas! then were the happy days!  
Alas! and then alas!  
For now the other three Ball clubs are roosting on our back.

#### INTERTOWN BASEBALL.

The St. John's League has received a challenge from Grand Falls to proceed there for their annual Sports Days on September 8th, to compete for the trophy so kindly presented by Mr. R. G. Reid for inter-town competition. It will be remembered that last year when the City team visited the Paper Town only one game could be played owing to the weather conditions and the balance of the series had to be abandoned, as in accordance with the donor's conditions governing the trophy it must be won by the best two out of three games each

season. Last year the St. John's team were enabled to visit Grand Falls through the kindness and courtesy of the Reid Newfoundland Company, who so generously provided free transportation to and from. As very little time remains to decide it, a meeting of the League will be held this week in order to consider the challenge.

It is understood that Bell Island has a bird of a team now. Charlie Archibald's arm still retains its cunning, and Manager Geo. Harvey thinks their aggregation has power enough to wrest the cup from St. John's. Burnham and Tommy Winter are also with them. All is wanted now is a challenge from the "Iron men."

#### POST MORTEM.

The batters come, the batters go,  
They pop 'em up and ground 'em out.  
They know the pitcher's going to blow.  
But still they fail to get a clout.  
They bunt when they try to bunt,  
They biff the ozone when they swing.  
And when they fan, you hear 'em grunt.  
"That poor old guy ain't got a thing."

The batters grin and then they swear,  
They find the pitcher has them stalled.  
They try to shop, and miss for fair;  
And when they wait three strikes are called.  
They fail to slam his slow ball toss  
And hate to hear his fast one sing;  
But on the bench they'll tell the boss  
"Why, gee! that guy ain't got a thing!"

From lead-off man to clean-up king  
But tho' they're shut out, still they say  
"That bird ain't got a doggone thing."

#### Here and There.

Nowadays physicians advise a good bedtime meal for people who are nervous and emaciated.

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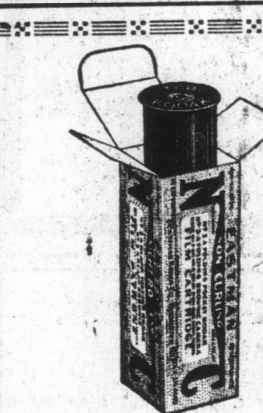
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#### KAISER VISITED BY MICHAELS.

AMSTERDAM, Aug. 25. A Berlin official despatch received here says: Chancellor Michaelis visited headquarters and presented Emperor William with a report. Some Berlin newspapers say the visit is connected with Alsace Lorraine.

#### RUSSIAN OFFICIAL.

PETROGRAD, Aug. 26. Attacks at several points on the Russian-Romanian front were beaten back yesterday by the Russians, the war office announces. A further advance on the Caucasian front where the Russians recently began offensive operations also is reported. The Russian official statement today continues to be silent regarding the situation on the Riga front. On the west Russian front the enemy conducted intense artillery fire, especially in the region of Zabuz village on the Ongulsky Canal. A bat-



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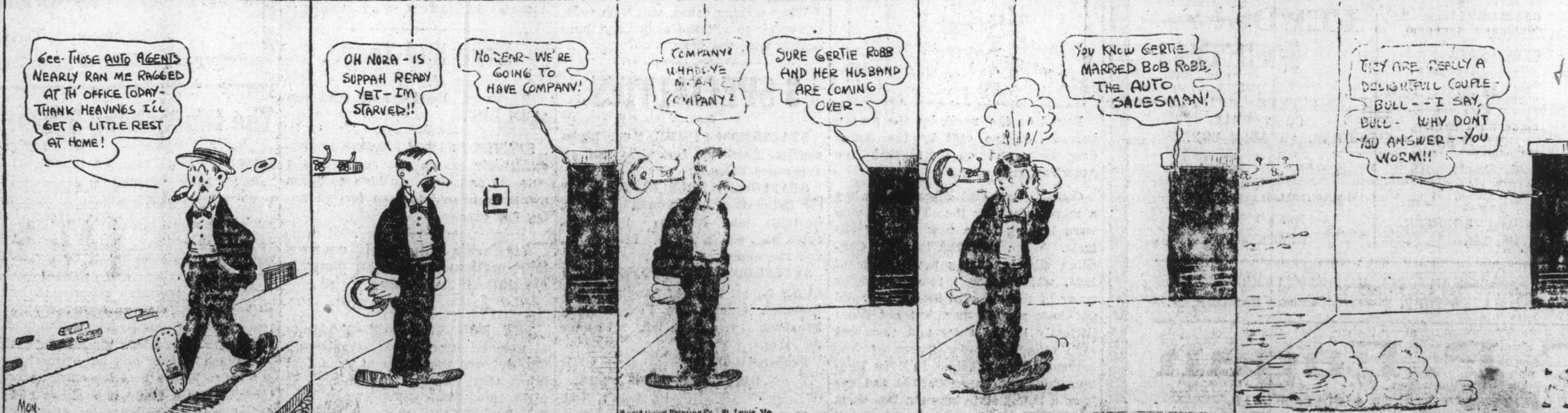
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