

THE LINE EXPECTED TO CHECK THE FOE

Berlin Reports That the Germans Are Making Progress Towards the Fortress of Brest-Litovsk.

In Petrograd the Opinion is Expressed That the Russian Line With That Fortress as One End Will Check the Advance of the Austro-Germans.

London, Aug. 16.—The Germans are making progress towards the fortress of Brest-Litovsk, if the German official statement is correctly interpreted...

Serbian capital has been resumed by the Austrians with large howitzers. No loss of life is reported.

On the Yser, there was artillery fighting before Lombaertzyde. St. George's Boesinghe and Woeven, in Artois, east of Lille, a violent cannonading was reported.

Petrograd reports no essential changes in the region of Riga and between the Narew and the Bug rivers. Desperate fighting is taking place in the region southwest of Giechanowice.

The Austrian submarine U-3 sunk in the Adriatic on August 12th was sent to the bottom by the French torpedo boat destroyer Bissen.

Indication that Roumania may be considering immediate entrance into the world war was seen in the news from there Saturday evening that all military factories have been ordered to prepare lists of men available for military service.

The Berlin Vossische Zeitung claims that the Russian fortress of Ostrolenka is in the hands of the Teutonic army. It is stated that the Grand Duke's forces still hold Osswitz, to the north. Ostrolenka is back of the German lines, and it was presumed to have been taken long ago.

General Cadorna, Italian commander, has practically completed preparation for a general attack on the Austrians along the Isonzo river, and expects to take Gorizia, opening the way for a march on Trieste. It is hoped this campaign may be a success early in September.

There was hand-to-hand fighting near Pussalene on Sunday. Nineteen French aeroplanes dropped 105 bombs on German depots in the valley of Spada near St. Mihiel.

Constantinople reports that Anglo-French attacks against the Turkish right wing north of Arrikari Burnu were repulsed on Thursday. Berlin reports that the Germans have taken about 11,000 prisoners in the last two days, and broken through Russian positions in the region of Losyco and Medzyrze.

Seeks A Divorce. Ottawa, Aug. 16.—Robert W. Thompson, broker, of Toronto, has filed an application for divorce from his wife, Ida Lois, now a resident in New York City.

The one absolutely certain thing in life is its uncertainty. When it comes to debt, most men are glad they are not in it.

War Tidings. Greek Army recruits of the 1915 class were called to the colors Saturday. The bombardment of Belgrade, the



KAISER BILL: "It's easy to tell the little todgers apart. One wears glasses and t'other plays with gases."

JAMAICA'S \$10,000,000 STORM

Destruction Of Banana Crop on Coast Believed Complete.

Kingston, Ja., Aug. 16.—Details of the damage done by the severe storm which swept over Jamaica Friday are coming in slowly, as telegraphic communication with the north side of the island has not yet been resumed.

It is known, however, that three lives were lost at Annotto Bay, on the north coast, where considerable material damage was done and many persons were made homeless. A small section of the coast railway was destroyed, it has also been learned.

Destruction of the banana crop on the northern coast is believed to have been complete, judging from the severity of the storm. The western section probably has not suffered, the storm having turned north in the vicinity of Falmouth. Railway traffic on the north coast is entirely suspended.

SATURDAY'S BASEBALL

VICTORIAS DEFEATED ATHLETICS BY 8 TO 0.

In the Senior City League Baseball Match At the Cricket Field.—Victorias Are Now Champions.

On Saturday afternoon at the Cricket Field, Athletics were defeated by Victorias in the Senior City League contest by the score of 8 to 0. Cotman, the regular catcher for Athletics, was not present on account of injuries received to his leg.

Cummings was a little nervous at first and allowed Nicholson, the first man up in the first innings, to walk. Through good support from Kelly, first baseman, D. Pound, the next batter, was cut short, but H. Dick secured a single, and Nicholson who had reached third base, scored the first run for Victorias.

Gillespie allowed S. Toland to walk on balls, but the latter was caught going to the second, as was also Spoor, who tried for the initial plate. Cummings went out on a fly-ball to the pitcher retiring the side.

The second and third innings added nothing for either side. The fourth innings brought a little enthusiasm into the contest. Somerville, the first man up for Victorias, made a nice drive securing two bases. Laird went out at first. Shultz made a single, scoring Somerville. A double play was again pulled off by Victorias in the last of the fourth innings. Cummings reached his initial bag and Blackenbury was thrown out at first. Previous to this Coyne had gone out on a fly to the second baseman.

Somerville started the sixth innings with a two-bagger, but the three batters following him were laid low in one, two, three order. Had the seventh innings not taken place the result of the game would not have been so bad, for it was at this stage that Victorias hit Blackenbury hard. Four runs were made. Gillespie secured a single. Nicholson followed with a two-bagger, placing the former on third plate. D. Pound making a safe drive for a single, scoring Gillespie. H. Dick hit low on a fly to centre-field but Nicholson beat the ball out from third after it was caught.

Somerville drove a hot one to centre-field for three-bases, and scored D. Pound. Somerville came home on a pass-ball, Laird was struck out and Shultz thrown out at first.

In the ninth innings Victorias were able to obtain two more runs. D. Pound and H. Dick crossing home-plate.

Victorias—Gillespie, p; D. Pound, c; Shultz, 1b; Somerville, 2b; Nicholson, 3b; H. Dick, ss; Laird, lf; Abramsky, c; F. Pound rf.

ATHLETICS—BLACKENBURY, P. CUMMINGS, C; KELLY, 1B; S. TOLAND, 2B; H. TOLAND, 3B; SPOOR, SS; MILNER, LF; COYNE, CF; LUMMAN, RF.

Score by innings: R.H.E. Victorias—1 0 0 1 0 0 4 0 2 8 15 2 Athletics—0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 2 1 Umpire—E. Hartrick.

AUTHOR BECOMES ASHAMED

Of His "Song of Hate"—Written in Heat.

Amsterdam, Aug. 16.—Ernst Lisauer appears to be becoming ashamed of the "Song of Hate." He writes to the Berlin Tageblatt saying he agrees with its view that the song is not intended for the young, and he has often advised against its publication in school books.

"The Song of Hate," he writes, "was written as the result of a passionate impulse in the first week of the war, when the impression created by England's declaration of war was fresh. The Song of Hate is a political poem not directed against individual Englishmen, but collectively against the English will to destruction which threatens Germany."

"In the excitement of those days my feelings were deeply stirred by this. Whether those feelings can continue with the cool consideration of practical politics is another question."

POLES PROSCRIBED

Death Penalty For Communication With Kaiser's Enemies.

Copenhagen, via London, Aug. 16.—It is stated that the German Governor-General of Poland has issued a proclamation forbidding the holding of meetings and the carrying of arms and ordering the closing of shops at 8 o'clock in the evening and theatres before 9 o'clock. The death penalty is prescribed for anyone communicating with Germany's enemies.

SMUGGLING ALIENS

Brockville, Aug. 16.—The first step towards breaking up the traffic of smuggling Austrians and Germans across the St. Lawrence River at this point to the United States was taken by the arrest of George Marks, a local character well known to the police. Last Saturday four Austrians, three men and a woman, were caught at Morrisstown, N.Y., after being landed from this side. They were held by the United States authorities until, when Inspector Foster, of the Dominion Immigration service brought them from Canton, N.Y., to Brockville. The Austrians at once identified Marks as the man who rowed them over, and said he received \$20 for his services. The woman bails from Montreal and the men from Ottawa, and it is most likely that all four will be interned. Marks is held awaiting a preliminary hearing.

AVIATOR KILLED FIFTEEN WOMEN

Lausanne, Aug. 16.—Advices from Solothurn, Germany, state that a young German aviator, just having received his license, made an exhibition flight, but in landing crashed into a crowd of spectators, killing fifteen women.

PLOT TO INVOLVE THE U. S. IN WAR

Was Revealed By President Wilson And the Mexican Excitement Petered Out in a Few Hours.

Investigation Under Way to Find Plotters—Plan Was to Make Trouble on Border by Fake Invading Army—'Bad Men' Boasted of Offers Made Them.

Washington, Aug. 16.—The recent Mexican flurry was a plot to stampede the United States into war. President Wilson has uncovered it.

Three hours after his arrival in Washington the Mexican excitement petered out.

The identity of the plotters is not public property as yet, but investigation is under way now, in Washington and other cities, to discover what interests were behind the flurry.

These facts stand out: When Secretary Lansing met with the South American diplomats in New York to discuss the note to the warring parties in Mexico, the plotters felt that the time for action had arrived.

Part of their scheme was to make trouble on the border. The White House knows that, for several years, several interests in the United States have offered sums to several "bad men" along the Texas border if these "bad men" would organize "armies" of American Mexicans, lead them into Mexico and then turn around and march back into the United States, killing Americans and destroying property, and making the American people believe that Mexicans from Mexico were marching in

the border states. The present border troubles bear all the earmarks of such a campaign. The interests that advance such a campaign as this may be considered guilty of actual murder.

The White House knows the name of at least one prominent western character who had boasted for many years that he had a standing offer of a large sum of money from certain American interests, who might possibly be backed by foreign interests, to organize a fake Mexican army of invasion.

At the same time that the border scare was worked up, the same plotters succeeded in working up a scare at Vera Cruz. The White House has learned that, at no time, were foreigners in danger in that part, but, in some manner the plotters stampeded a few of the less cool heads in the navy, and the ships were headed for "southern waters."

That there are certain interests in the United States who are determined to get the United States into war, at almost any cost, has been clearly proven by the recent Mexican flurry.

If possible, these interests are going to be uncovered. Intervention in Mexico is as far away as ever.

BRANTFORD STREET RAILWAY.

Had Net Deficit Of \$3,438.85 For Six Months.

Brantford Municipal Railway system, after six months of operation, earned in that period sufficient to cover the operating expenses, and leave a balance of \$8,233.90. This sum has been applied for the payment of local improvement and the tax for interest on pavements between the car rails, amounting to \$1,251, and the sinking fund, amounting to \$2,314; bond and debenture interest, \$3,257.75, and debenture interest makes a net deficit for the six months of \$3,438.85.

THE SPORT REVIEW

Mrs. Locke, the widow of the former secretary of the Pittsburg Club, and latterly the controlling factor in the Phillies, may sell her stock in the Philadelphia Club to Frederick Chandler, a stock broker of Chicago.

There is a meeting to be held in Cleveland next Saturday to organize professional boxing and to formulate iron-clad rules to govern it.

Hugh Jennings, manager of the Detroit Americans, has made Connie Mack an offer of \$15,000 for pitcher Bush. The leader of the Athletics refused the offer. "If I can get another pitcher of class, I will win the pennant, with considerable to spare," said Jennings. He was greatly chagrined over his failure to get Bush. Jennings has made offers to other clubs for star pitchers, but all seem to fight shy of giving the Tigers any assistance in their pennant fight.

Campbellford won his eighth straight game at home when it trimmed Trotton in an exhibition game by the score of 15 to 4. Campbellford will meet Tweed in the latter place next Friday in the first of home and home games for the Eastern Ontario championship and the right to go into the finals of the O. A. L. A.

The first grand circuit meeting ever held in Quebec Province will be staged at Dorval Park, Montreal, commencing on Thursday next, to continue for six days. All the best performance in harness, including the great pacers Directum L. William, and Frank Bogash Jr., will be seen in action at this meeting, which is expected to make a great hit with harness-horse lovers in Eastern Canada.

At Springfield, Mass., on Saturday Bob Dibble, of the Don Rowing Club, Toronto, retained his title to-day as champion sculler of the United States by winning from John B. Kelly, of the Vesper Boat Club, Philadelphia, by one length. The time was 7.27 3-5. By his victory the Toronto sculler becomes undisputed champion of the American continent, he having won the Canadian title at the St. Catharines Henley a few days ago.

A Gold Strike Reported. North Bay, Aug. 16.—Commissioner Lee is the authority for the statement that a big gold strike has been discovered at mileage 153 on the T. & N.O. The whole township of Peacock has been staked out, and the rush of prospectors is growing daily.

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