

AUSTRIANS ATTACK FROM ASIAGO TO THE ADRIATIC

MIGHTY AUSTRIAN OFFENSIVE IN ITALY, TEUTONS CROSSING PIAVE

Italian, British and French Troops Resisting Everywhere Magnificently and No Serious Inroads Made By Enemy—British Line Penetrated For Short Distance At Narrow Point—Furious Battle Began Saturday Morning and Continued To Rage Throughout Sunday—Austrians Claim 10,000 Prisoners.

Rome, June 15.—The Austrians began a great offensive at seven o'clock this morning on the front from the Asiago Plateau to the sea. This announcement was made today by Premier Orlando: "Our troops are everywhere resisting magnificently. Nearly the whole of our front is engaged, as the offensive extends with extreme violence from Astico to the Brenta, from the Brenta to the Piave and along the Piave everywhere, involving the Asiago Plateau, the Mount Grappa and the plain."

Austrian Version.

Vienna, June 15, via London.—The beginning of a great offensive is indicated in the official communication from Austrian headquarters, which says:

"Gundir increased to great intensity on many sectors of the southwest front early this morning."

"On the Albanian front new French attacks which were carried out yesterday northwest of Sinapente broke down."

Sunday Report.

Vienna, June 15, via London.—Ten thousand Italian, English and French prisoners have been taken by the Austrians in their great offensive, according to official communication from headquarters today. The Piave river has been crossed.

The statement says: "Our armies this morning broke through the enemy lines on the Plateau of the Seven Communi (Sette Comuni) and also crossed the Piave."

"Up to midday reports have arrived reporting the capture of over ten thousand Italians, English and French. The capture of guns is considerable."

British Line Hit.

London, June 15.—The war office issues the following statement concerning operations of the British army in Italy:

"A heavy bombardment by Austrian guns opened along the entire front from the sea to the Adige at three o'clock this morning, followed by infantry assaults throughout the day. Four Austrian divisions attacked the British front."

"On the right the attack failed completely, the enemy casualties being heavy. On the left, the enemy penetrated our front of 2,500 yards to a maximum depth of 1,000 yards. He has been firmly held here all day."

The French Attacked.

Rome, June 16.—(Havas Agency)—The Austrians, after a violent bombardment, attacked the French positions, but the very efficacious fire of the French broke down the thrust of the Austrian offensive.

The enemy casualties were heavy and in addition he left numerous prisoners in the hands of the French. The battle is in progress along the whole of the front.

3,000 Prisoners.

London, June 16.—Italian headquarters, according to the official report received here, claims the capture of 3,000 prisoners in the battle now going on in the Italian front.

The Austrians officially claim the capture of 10,000 prisoners.

Attacked At Three A.M.

London, June 16.—The opening of the latest Austrian offensive in Italy is described by Reuters' correspondent with the British army in Italy. The correspondent's despatch under date of Saturday afternoon follows:

"The Austrians opened a heavy bombardment at three o'clock this morning and attacked the British positions on the Asiago Plateau at half past seven with a division composed of Austro-German and Bosnian troops."

The enemy objective, apparently, was to reach eventually a line of hills about the plateau and Cima Di Ponte, some four kilometres behind our front. The enemy reached our front lines, but made very little progress. They were repulsed on the right completely, but gained a few hundred yards near the left of our center.

"Our line, following a shell-like depression in which is the town of Astico, is irregular in outline and thickly wooded in places."

A Night Operation. "Flat as it looks from our positions, the country is full of hidden folds in the ground and lends itself rather easily to attack by isolated detachments. The morning of the attack was more than unusually misty and the bulk of the enemy troops approached along the line of a railway running from Asiago to the little village of Cesana, which follows a marked depression in the ground. In accordance with recent German methods the attacking troops were rushed up during the night from Valauren by motor transport. Heavy as was the preliminary bombardment, gas shells were only sparingly used against our troops. The attack on the British formed only a part of the Austrian plan."

H. Ellis accompanied by Fred Ellis, arrived in the city yesterday by auto from Macé's Bay.

Green uniforms recently replaced white ones among British hospital surgeons, and British hospitals are also being fitted in green instead of white, because this color is easier on the eyes of patients.

IMPORTANT CHANGE IN REDEMPTORISTS AFFECTS ST. JOHN

English Branch of Order in Canada Becomes Province Separate From United States Branch—Priests To Leave Here.

Quebec, June 16.—An important change affecting the English-speaking branch of the Redemptorist Order in Canada has been announced here.

This branch of the order which up to the present was a vice-province and subject to the head order in the United States, now becomes a separate province with Rev. Father Mulhall, C.S.S.R., as provincial with headquarters in Toronto.

New changes of rectors and other fathers in many parishes in the new province are as follows:

Rev. Father Woods, rector of St. Patrick's, Quebec, is transferred to St. John, N. B., as consultant, while Rev. P. Costello of St. John becomes rector at Quebec; Rev. William Hogan of St. Ann's, Montreal, becomes rector at St. John; Rev. George Mylet of London, Ont., becomes rector of St. Ann's, Montreal; Rev. John Kane is transferred from Brandon, Man., to St. Ann's, Montreal; Rev. William McLaughlin is transferred from Quebec to London, Ont.; Rev. George Daly is transferred from Regina, Sask., to St. John; Rev. Donald McDougall of Winnipeg becomes rector at Yorkton, Sask., while Rev. Father McCandlish of Toronto becomes rector at Winnipeg.

COMMERCIAL MAN TAKEN IN CUSTODY

Had Not the Necessary Papers and Brought To St. John By Military Police—McAdam Is a Busy Place.

Unless one carries with him the necessary papers to insure an uninterrupted passage, he can never tell just where he may have to spend the night. This was proven on Friday night, when a commercial traveller while en route to St. John was held up by the Military Police at McAdam and was sent to St. John under escort.

On Saturday morning after he had stated his case to the authorities he was permitted to leave the "link." The gentleman has been coming to St. John in the interests of an Upper Canadian house for a number of seasons and he pictured himself arriving here on Friday and getting off to an early start among his customers on Saturday morning. It appears that he had with him a paper, which in substance said that although his exemption was up, the first of June, an extension was being considered.

Owing to the number of trains passing through the military police at this point are kept busy following up one train and then another. This is probably the busiest part of the province for police work.

OBITUARY.

Andrew Boyd.

Gagetown, June 15.—At an early hour on Sunday morning, Andrew Boyd, a well-known and respected farmer of this place, passed away after a very painful illness of several weeks. Mr. Boyd, who had reached the age of sixty-five, had spent the greater part of his life here, and is survived by his widow, and one daughter, Luella; also one brother, Daniel Boyd of Boston, N. B.; and two sisters, Mrs. Henderson of Henderson's Settlement and Miss Rebecca Boyd of Oromocto, N. B. Mr. Boyd's kindly and genial disposition won him friends among young and old. As he himself expressed it, he had "not an enemy in the world." Much sympathy is expressed for the bereaved family.

The funeral took place from his late home on the Mill Road on Tuesday afternoon, and was largely attended by friends and neighbors from near and far. The services were conducted by Rev. H. T. Buckland, rector of the parish, and interment was made in St. John's Churchyard, the casket being carried to the last resting place by John Cooper, P. J. Dineen, Howard Weston, Robert Hunter, John Mahoney and Amasa Coy.

Mrs. Jesse A. Wilson.

The death occurred in Winnipeg on June 16th, of Mrs. Jesse A. Wilson, formerly of this city, eldest daughter of the late John and Ellen Lawson. The deceased lady removed west about ten years ago.

She leaves to mourn two daughters, Ellen and Gertrude, and one son, Harold, besides her husband.

Relatives surviving in the city are: Miss Annie Lawson, Peters street; Mrs. Fred Emery, Waterloo street; and George of Peters street. Other surviving relatives are: Mrs. T. S. Baker, Toronto; Mrs. L. G. McDougall, Truro, N. S. and John, William and Walter in the States.

The deceased was well and favorably known here. About two years ago she visited relatives in the city.

DIED.

MILLER—At Campbellton, Sunday, June 16, at the home of her sister, Mrs. Adams, Kate Miller of Randolph, leaving two sisters and five brothers.

Funeral notice later.

ARNOLD—In this city on the 16th inst., George Arnold, leaving father, brother and sister to mourn.

Funeral notice later.

BARBOUR—On Saturday June 15, at his home, 99 Hazen street, George L. Barbour in the 64th year of his age.

Funeral (Monday) afternoon at two-thirty o'clock.

MANY AT FUNERAL OF DR. QUIGLEY

Bishop O'Leary Officiated At Solemn Service in New-Castle — St. John Bodies Represented.

Newcastle, June 16.—The funeral of Dr. R. F. Quigley held here today was one of the largest ever seen in this town, the large attendance speaking in eloquent terms of the esteem in which he was held.

At the funeral the procession left the home of the Misses Mary and Kate Quigley, sisters of the deceased and proceeded to St. Mary's Church. The body was met at the door by Rev. F. W. Dixon.

Bishop O'Leary officiated at Solemn High Mass of Requiem and Father Trudell took the service at the grave.

The pall bearers were Hon. John Morrissey, ex-Mayor Charles E. Fish, Dr. Perley Williston, John D. Creighton, David J. Buckley and Patrick Wheeler.

The Knights of Columbus attended in a body. St. John's council was represented by Judge McInerney, Dr. W. P. Broderick and Richard O'Brien. The St. John Law Society was represented by Daniel Mulvin, K. C., and E. P. Raymond.

Representatives Met Yesterday in St. John—Association Unanimously Approve of Work Accomplished By Charles Robinson.

The first step in the organization of a provincial branch of the Great War Veterans' Association was taken yesterday, when at a meeting of representatives from different sections of the province the idea received the unanimous support from those present.

The meeting was called at 3.30 with Major G. M. Johnston in the chair. Present were: Major G. M. Johnston, secretary of the conference, and a vote of thanks tendered to both institutions.

H. Allingham spoke on the matter of the farm settlement board, of which he is a member, and his work in connection with the interest of the returned men. It is the intention of the association to bring before the next meeting of the government several matters relating to this work and the need of co-operation between the provincial and Dominion governments with respect to returned men and the farms.

It was decided to send to each of the returned men a circular letter containing the business of the association, for the purpose of forming a provincial organization when the officers will be elected.

A communication was before the meeting, in which the ladies of the Y. M. C. A. offered to furnish the top floor of the new home.

With the exception of New Brunswick every other province in the Dominion has provincial organizations.

FISHERMEN SACK WRECKED STEAMER IN BAY OF FUNDY

Thousand Men Give Up Lucrative Fishing For Chance To Save Cargo.

Special to The Standard. Yarmouth, N. S., June 16.—The wreck of the Alcor is in the hands of the wreckers of the south shore. A customs officer who went to the scene yesterday says he has never seen such a sight since the wreck of the Castellan.

He counted over 400 motor boats hailing from every part of the coast from Port Maitland to Port Latour and says there were over a thousand men on the steamer.

Down the few hatchets they could get at the holds were full of men. The decks were covered to the depth of several inches with a thick sticky paste and a few minutes after a man got aboard his clothes were in like condition.

Sacked the Steamer. The vessel was in good shape, but the men with hatchets were breaking up the metal work deliberately smashing it up for junk. The expensive mahogany work in the interior of the cabin was being cut up with axes.

The men used no judgement whatever in their operations. The men had been engaged in mackerelling and in many cases had tossed their catches on the wharves and rushed to the wreck. In other cases they had thrown their fish overboard in consequence thousands of mackerel have been spoiled and men who were making from \$20 to \$40 per day have rushed off to take a gamblers chance over a bag of flour.

Methodist Sermons. Special to The Standard.

Sackville, June 16.—Two striking sermons were delivered today in connection with the Methodist conference, the one preached by the talented professor, Dr. A. C. Knudson of the Boston University Theological School and the other by the popular general secretary of social service and evangelism, the Rev. D. Albert Moore of Toronto.

The sermon of the evening was to have been preached by the Rev. Chas. B. Manning, associate secretary of missions, but he was recalled to the headquarters of his department in Toronto by the serious illness of his father, the Rev. James Allen, M. A., known and loved by Methodists everywhere, where, nature's gentleman, able administrator, truly Christian gentleman, as your correspondent has heard him call.

The day was a very full day. An Early Call.

The bell for the morning prayer service awakened the slumbering town at 6.45 a. m. The time honored love feast and fellowship service was held at 9.45. The Rev. Geo. F. Dawson of the conference, ex-officio, presided. The solemn ordination service began at 11 o'clock, and was conducted by the president of the conference, the Rev. Geo. M. Young, who was assisted by Rev. Geo. A. Wigham, K. E. Styles, secretary of the conference and others.

The Rev. Dr. Knudson took as his theme the words of Christ: "I am come that ye might have life, and that ye might have it more abundantly," and preached a sermon that will long be remembered.

Following the sermon the president of the conference proceeded to the ordination of Rev. John L. Lund to the holy work of the Christian ministry. The service throughout was deeply impressive.

Sunday School. In the afternoon an open session of the Sunday school which was attended by a large number of members of the conference and visiting friends was addressed by Rev. Geo. F. Dawson and Rev. E. E. Styles.

The evening service was conducted by the pastor of the conference church, Rev. Herbert E. Thomas, and he was assisted by the Rev. Jacob Heesey and the Rev. Geo. Morris. The Rev. Dr. Moore gave a splendid sermon with his usual force and eloquence based on the text, "Fear not, Daughters of Zion, Thy King Cometh." Dr. Moore made it quite clear that in spite of the clouds of war and other doubtful and discouraging conditions he believed that the world was growing worse but better, encouraging the expectation that the King would eventually come to His Kingdom and reign in righteousness. He closed his address with an impassioned appeal to all present to make Jesus king in their hearts and lives.

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MESSRS. CARVELL AND REID LEAVE OVER THE N. T. R.

Father Bellevue Appointed Militia Chaplain—First Arrest Under Prohibition in Moncton.

Special to The Standard. Moncton, June 16.—Hon. Dr. Reid and Hon. P. B. Carvell, Ministers of Railways and Public Works returned from P. E. Island last night and accompanied by General Manager Hayes and other C. G. R. officials and Fuel Controller Magrath left by special train this morning for an inspection trip over the National Transcontinental.

Father Hector L. Bellevue, assistant to Rev. H. D. Cormier at Lascomption church has been appointed Roman Catholic chaplain with the Canadian forces and left Saturday for Camp Sussex. Father Varley of St. Joseph's College is taking his place in the Moncton church temporarily.

The first arrest here for drunkenness under the prohibition act was made Saturday night, the victim being an outsider. The arrest created something of a stir in view of the fact that the prisoner was compelled to make a deposit of two hundred dollars and make declaration as to where he got his liquor. A Montreal firm was named as supplying the liquor.

George L. Barbour Died Saturday. Well Known Wholesale Grocer Passes Away—For Sixty Years Prominent in Business Life of the City.

One of the best known and most highly respected merchants of St. John, in the person of George L. Barbour, passed away at his home 99 Hazen street on Saturday, after an illness of about three months. Mr. Barbour who had passed his 83rd birthday was born at Moore's Mills, Charlotte County but had lived in St. John for seventy years and for sixty years of that period was actively engaged in the wholesale grocery business, and was one of the founders of the firm of George L. Barbour & Co.

Mr. Barbour was of Loyalist stock, his grandfather having been an officer in Col. Marks, Loyal Regiment of New York, who came to Canada after the war of independence and settled in Charlotte County. His father Duncan MacGregor Barbour settled in Springhill, York County where he engaged in the lumber and shipbuilding industries.

He is survived by his wife, who is a daughter of the late Alexander Thompson of Nashwaak, York County, and sister of Senator Thompson, one daughter, Mabel G. Barbour, and three sons, Frank A., of Boston and George E., and Fred T., of this city.

Harcourt. Harcourt, June 15.—Word has been received here of the death at Brandon, Manitoba, of Mrs. Stillman Ward, formerly Mrs. Grace Morton of this place. The deceased was in her thirty-first year and is survived by her husband and two small children; her mother, Mrs. Geo. Morton of Harcourt, three sisters, Mrs. Wilmot Ward of Call's Mills; Mrs. Clayton Morton of Moncton, and Mrs. Howard McDougall of Harcourt; one brother, Harry Morton, deceased. Interment was in Brandon.

The friends of Mrs. F. H. Burkholder will be glad to know that she is now convalescent at the Moncton General Hospital.

Mr. and Mrs. M. B. Dunn are spending a few days in Campbellton and its vicinity.

Mrs. A. Mary Lutes and little son, Donald, spent Saturday in Moncton. Dr. Botsford was called to the village on Friday by the sudden illness of Mrs. C. Cameron, who is now recovering.

Mr. Freeman Atkinson of Rexton, motivated to the village on Monday. Mrs. G. F. Ward has returned from Flatlands where she was the guest of her son, Mr. Hinson Ward.

Mr. George Elder, agent for the British and Foreign Society, spent several days in the village recently.

Rev. C. Stebbings is at present attending the Methodist Conference at Sackville.

Mr. J. A. Wathen and J. N. Wathen motivated to Richibucto on Wednesday. Mrs. Fred Moffatt has returned to her home in River Hebert, N. S.

Mr. Hector Campbell has returned home after spending several weeks in Campbellton.

Mr. Areside Cormier visited Moncton on Wednesday, the guest of his brother, Mr. Robt. Cormier.

Milkish. Milkish, June 15.—A very enjoyable surprise party was held Monday evening at the home of Joseph Long, Milkish, in honor of his son Percy, who is home on leave from St. John, where he is training as a signaller in the 9th Signal Battery.

The home was also given a surprise in the afternoon by the arrival of his brother Joseph of the Royal Air Force, Toronto. He has been in Toronto seven months, and is now Second Lt. A. This being his first service leave it was a very pleasant surprise to everyone. Both brothers were presented with wrist watches.

British Statement. London, June 14.—The British official communication issued this evening says:

"In the sector north of Baillone French patrols brought in a few prisoners during the night."

"There is nothing further to report."

CASUALTIES

Ottawa, June 15.—INFANTRY.

Wounded—A. Houghton, Sydney, N. S. R. C. Davis, Jamaica. D. George, Halfway, Cove, N. S. R. E. Graham, Moore's Mills, N. B. C. L. Whitman, Williamstown, N. S. J. J. Bonmaster, Covington, N. S. SERVICES.

III.—R. R. Conrad, First South, Lunenburg Co., N. S. RAILWAY TROOPS.

Gassed—T. Brown, Russell, N. S. Killed in Action—H. S. MacDonald, Scotsburn, N. S. Wounded—L. H. A. McKinnon, Sydney, N. S. Gassed—R. A. MacDonald, Charlottetown, P. E. I.

Ottawa, June 16.—Today's casualty list of 148 names, reports 11 Canadians killed in action; five died of wounds; one accidentally killed; one prisoner of war; forty presumed to have died; fifty-eight wounded; seventeen gassed, and eleven ill.

Infantry. Killed in Action—G. Brennan, Sussex, N. B. Wounded—L. E. Cooper, Tangier, N. S. R. Matthews, Shelburne, N. S. R. J. Smith, address not stated. W. E. McNeill, Carleton Place, P. E. I.

P. W. McDachern, Hopefield, P. E. I. W. M. McDonald, Sydney Mines, N. S. T. D. Teakles, Fortage Vale, N. B. Gassed—E. Cook, St. John, N. B. Artillery.

Killed in Action—Lieut. G. E. Roche, Bedford, N. S. Wounded—P. E. I. Lieut. J. B. Dever, St. John, N. B. Gassed—P. E. I. MacDonald, Grand Tracadie, P. E. I. Forestry Corps.

III.—D. A. Ferguson, Gloucester, N. B. Machine Gun Company. Died of Wounds—W. T. Darvalg, Kent Co., Monks River, N. B.

Nationalists To Go To Commons. Jeremiah O'Leary and "Irish Ambassador To United States" Are Arrested.

Dublin, June 15. (By The Associated Press).—The members of the Irish Nationalist party have decided to return to parliament the week after next.

O'Leary Taken. New York, June 15.—Jeremiah A. O'Leary, a fugitive from justice since the eve of the date set for his trial on a charge of violating the espionage act by publication of seditious matter in the anti-British periodical Bull, and later indicted for conspiracy to commit treason, was arrested at New York, Washington, and is on his way back to New York.

Hartford, Conn., June 15.—Cornelius Leane, of New York, "ambassador to the United States" of the "Irish Republic," is held in the county jail here in \$25,000 bonds on a charge of violating provisions of the espionage act.

Funerals. The funeral of Alexander Neill was held yesterday afternoon from his late residence 308 Union street. Service was conducted at the house by Rev. W. G. Lane of Yarmouth. Members of the Knights of Pythias attended, and the Pythian service was read by Past Grand Chancellor Moulton at the grave.

The funeral of Miss Marjorie Vivian Ryan was held Saturday afternoon from her parents' residence Horsfield street to Trinity church. Service was conducted by Rev. R. A. Armstrong. Interment was made in Fernhill.

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MINIATURE ALMANAC. June—Phases of the Moon.

Last Quarter, 2nd 1h. 20m. a.m. New Moon, 8th 7h. 3m. p.m. First Quarter, 16th 10h. 12m. a.m. Full Moon, 24th 7h. 38m. a.m.

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THE WEATHER. Maritime—Moderate southwest and west winds; a few local showers, but mostly fair and moderately warm.

Washington, June 16.—Northern New England—Local rains Monday and probably Tuesday; moderate southwest winds.

Toronto, June 16.—A few scattered showers have occurred this morning in southern Ontario, but the weather has been generally fair and moderately warm throughout the Dominion.

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