

# THE ARMY OF ITALY CONTINUES TO MAKE GAINS

## ITALIAN TROOPS REOCCUPY THE CAPO SILE BRIDGEHEAD

### They Extend Gain and Hold It Against Austrian Attacks — More Prisoners Captured — No Heavy Fighting on the Western Front.

Rome, June 26—Italian troops on the southern part of the Piave front have not only completely re-occupied the Capo Sile bridgehead, but have extended it and held the gain against Austrian counter-attacks. The extension was effected yesterday. During the fighting nearly 400 prisoners were taken. The war office made this announcement today.

On the remainder of the front the fighting was confined to artillery duels and patrol actions.

The text of the statement says:

"Yesterday our troops, having completely re-occupied the bridgehead of Capo Sile, extended it, provoking and firmly sustaining resolute counter-attacks by numerous enemy forces. Eight officers and 371 of other ranks were captured.

Many Bombs Dropped. "On the remainder of the front there were artillery duels of not very great intensity and activity by small parties.

"Between Mori and Loppt one of our assault patrols surprised and destroyed an enemy advanced post, capturing the survivors.

"Our flights dropped several tons of bombs on enemy ammunition dumps on the Venetian Plain and on railway establishments at Mattarello.

"Seven hostile machines were brought down. Lieutenant Flavio Baracchini obtained his thirty-first victory.

"In the clearing up of the battlefield a few hundred additional prisoners were taken.

"The complete recapture of all our arms and materials has been ascertained. Only after a long statistical work will it be possible to establish the enormous quantity of Austria arms and material which remained in our hands."

Haig's Statement. London, June 26—"Beyond artillery activity on both sides in the district of the Somme."

### AN AMHERST GIRL AND SOLDIER BOY GONE

#### Pair Eloped With Hired Rig and Police and Others Are Searching For Pair.

Amherst, June 26—The police authorities, the militia and an anxious livery stable keeper are looking for a soldier attached to the Canadian Engineers who "lighted out" of Amherst on Sunday with a hired rig. The soldier did not go alone. He took a young lady with him and she is also missing.

The couple were traced as far as Dorchester where they spent the night at a hotel and later were traced in the direction of Moncton. The police of several places have been notified by Chief Chapman to arrest the two on sight.

### A. SHUMAN, BOSTON MILLIONAIRE, DEAD

#### Head of Big Clothing House Friend of John Boyle O'Reilly Passes Away.

Boston, June 26.—A. Shuman, head of the wholesale and retail clothing house of A. Shuman & Co., one of the wealthiest of Boston's business men, and one of the leading Hebrews in the United States, died this morning. Mr. Shuman was born in Prussian Silesia in 1839. He emigrated a poor boy from Prussia and settled in New York state, where he worked on a farm and attended school until he was twelve years of age. Then he learned the clothing business. He was a bank director, trustee of the Museum of Fine Arts and head of the Boston city hospital. He was a close friend of the late John Boyle O'Reilly, and a prominent, active worker for Irish home rule. He leaves a family.

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### PROF. A. FOSTER BAIRD AND MISS HILDA B. MACLENIHAN WED

#### Large Number of Invited Guests At Ceremony in Fredericton — Many Gifts Received.

Special to The Standard. Fredericton, June 26.—At 3.30 this afternoon, Miss Hilda Barbara MacLenihan was married to Prof. A. Foster Baird, of the Faculty of the University of New Brunswick, by Rev. J. S. Sutherland, at the residence of the bride's mother, Needham street, in the presence of a large number of invited guests. The bride was gowned in white duchess satin with veil and orange blossoms and carried a shower bouquet of roses and lilies of the valley. Little Miss Kathleen Baird was flower girl. The wedding march was played by Miss Edna Baird. The bride was the recipient of many gifts which included a number of substantial cheques a silver tea service and cut glass. Mr. and Mrs. Baird will leave by C. P. R. this evening on a lengthy wedding tour which will include Niagara Falls, Toronto, Montreal, Quebec and other Canadian cities.

Out of town guests included Miss Roberta Card and Lou Card of St. John, and Dr. and Mrs. Schriver, of Bangor, Me.

On their return they will reside in this city.

### REFORMED BAPTIST ALLIANCE OF CANADA AT BROWN'S FLATS

#### Rev. F. P. Wright Elected President At Opening Day — Attendance and Weather Good.

Brown's Flats, June 26.—The annual alliance of the Reformed Baptist Church of Canada was opened at 2.30 o'clock this afternoon at the Brown's Flats. There was a good attendance of delegates and the weather was excellent. The following officers were elected: President, Rev. F. P. Wright; vice-president, Rev. H. C. Mulligan; recording secretary, Rev. W. B. Wiggins; assistant secretary, Rev. H. B. Tracton; corresponding secretary, Rev. P. J. Tracton; treasurer, E. Coleman; auditor, Rev. L. T. Sabine; devotional committee, Rev. F. A. Baker; Rev. Mr. Tracton, Rev. H. S. Dow; Rev. Mr. Tracton, Rev. Mr. Archer; committee on absent brethren, Rev. Mr. Tracton, Rev. Mr. Mullin and Rev. W. Howe; official reporter, Rev. Mr. Archer.

Dr. Keitstead, food controller of the province, will explain the food situation to the alliance on Saturday afternoon.

There was a service and sermon by Rev. Mr. Sabine tonight. There will be a business session at 9 a. m. tomorrow.

### NINE BOILS Kept Coming on Neck One After the Other

Anyone who has ever suffered from boils, knows how sick and miserable they make you feel. When you think you are about cured of one, another seems ready to take its place and prolong your wretchedness. All the poulticing and lancing you may do will not cure them and stop them coming.

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### HEAVY, A FEW OTTY, DEAD HERO, HONORED IN HAIG'S DISPATCHES

#### Gagetown Boy Displayed Conspicuous Bravery At Passchendaele—Lieut. Webster Another Brave Officer Who Gave His Life—Capt. Scovill Writes of His Prison Life in Germany.

Special to The Standard. Gagetown, June 26.—Lieut. Allen Oty, of the 5th C. M. R., only son of Mr. and Mrs. N. H. Oty, of Gagetown, is one of the Canadian officers mentioned in Sir Douglas Haig's dispatches for conspicuous bravery. Lieut. Oty was killed in action in the taking of Passchendaele Ridge on October 30th of last year at four o'clock in the afternoon, after a day filled with many daring and difficult feats carried out under constant fire.

His great name for himself and the battalion that day," is the statement made by many of his men in writing of their regret that he was no longer with them.

Lieut. Col. Dennis C. Draper, D. S. O., who has also been mentioned in the recent dispatches, called him "one of our best men" and wrote that his death took place "after gallantly leading his men in the capture of a highly organized strong point in the German lines."

The following letter, from one of Lieut. Oty's fellow officers, who also served with him in the 1st Battalion, where they were sergeants together, back in 1915, gives some idea of the circumstances under which Lieut. Oty won distinction:

Ordered to Take It. "Allen's company was in support to mine and we were the left flank of the Canadian Corps. Our (my) company was ordered to take Source Farm, and on our left the Imperials were to take Source Farm. The troops on our left were unable to make their objective, and Allen's platoon was ordered to take it if possible; so away went Allen leading his men. I also gathered a few men and went along to help him in a pretty strong position. We captured it, and three machine guns together with seventeen prisoners. That was about eight o'clock in the morning. We wandered about, rounding up the Germans and chasing them out of the old cellars, and finally cleared the ground. About four o'clock in the afternoon Allen was ordered to take the afternoon attack. We bandaged his wounds and he started back to the dressing station. He kept on going about two hundred yards when he fell. Several of the boys tried to get to him, but Fritz kept sniping, and after several attempts we had to abandon trying. One thing is certain and comforting, he died instantly, for after we were relieved I made enquiries and found that he had been hit in the head.

Hero Buried. Allen was buried just outside of Otrup Farm, along with most of the boys who fell that day. His grave has a cross above it, and he lies with his men who absolutely worshipped him. In the ground that his fearlessness and simple help to take. Had he lived, he certainly would have been decorated; but he fell, as he had often said he would want to, with his men. Any rate he managed to get several Hun scalps. I can't see full justice to him or tell you how much I miss him."

Letters from other members of the battalion tell in a similar way of the good work done by Lieut. Oty and his men, as they were among the first to take the pill boxes, clearing the ground, and the soldier describes him as putting out of action five German machine guns and capturing a large number of German snipers concealed on the field as a special feature of the fighting at Passchendaele. These snipers had been ordered to pick off the officers and stretcher-bearers first, and many a gallant soldier met death in this way.

Lieut. Laurence F. Webster was another officer of the 5th C. M. R. who gave his life nobly at Passchendaele. He was severely and painfully wounded at a spot just after going "over the top" with his men, on the morning of October 30. In spite of the wound, he resolutely kept on leading his men until his platoon, until his falling strength could hold out no longer and he fell, like a gallant soldier, faithful to his duty to the last. Lieut. Webster was promoted as a corporal in the 26th Battalion, and won his commission on the field during the battle of the Somme. He joined the 5th C. M. R. in November, 1916, and shared in the successes of the battalion at Vimy Ridge and elsewhere, being with them all the year, except July. Lieut. Webster was the only surviving son of Mr. and Mrs. M. E. Webster, of Fulbourn, Cambridge, England, being the last of a family of seven. He was educated at "The Perse," Cambridge. Several years ago he came out from England and was employed at the Experimental Farm near Fredericton with a view to learning farming. Lieut. Webster was buried along with the officers and men of the 5th C. M. R., who fell near Passchendaele. Captain Stewart, M. C., the padre of the Mounted Rifles, reading the service over the fallen heroes.

Captain Stewart is still another distinction, having been decorated for his coolness under fire during the October battle.

Letter From Prisoner. Capt. M. A. Scovill, now that he has been transferred to Holland, is able to write more freely of what his life as a prisoner in Germany was really like. Capt. Scovill declared in a letter received last week: "If people in Canada knew how our prisoners in Germany are treated they would never mention the word 'peace.' The food given out to even the officers resembled nothing so much as pig feed, and it had to be broken for the parcels sent through the Red Cross the pris-

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