

POLAND

BESIEGED PEOPLE ASK AID OF HEAVEN

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Warsaw, Aug. 8.—A scene was enacted in the streets of Warsaw today that would undoubtedly have made Trotsky, whose Red hordes are almost at the city's gates, grin with sardonic delight.

It was a religious procession—such a religious procession as has not been witnessed in this old world for generations, perhaps centuries. Not all the majestic grandeur, and devotional fervor with which we are familiar in America through Eucharistic Congresses, Holy Name Societies, and such demonstrations, could equal the sweeping emotion of this tremendous moving force.

Men, women and children marched in this sacred procession, which lasted from noon until evening. The men were mostly the aged and the crippled, numbers of the latter being wounded soldiers convalescing and just able to hobble out. There are practically no other men left in Poland today outside of the armies.

It took half an hour for the procession to pass a given point, and for over seven hours this vast marching throng, carrying banners, flags and statues, moved on from one church to another until every house of worship in the capital had been visited, each visit augmenting the forces by thousands. And as they marched they sang.

INSPIRING SINGING OF FOLKS One must have heard the Poles sing to know what that means. They are the greatest singers in the world, greater even than the Germans at expressing themselves through massed song, and they go at it with an abandon and free heartiness that is childlike.

Almighty God! Holy and immortal God! Have pity on us!

—so run a few of its passages, in a literal translation, the hymn ending always with a plea to the Blessed Virgin for intercession. I was in my room writing when the first wave of the vocal storm struck my ears.

INCREDIBLE FAITH OF POLAND My first thought was "Wouldn't Trotsky and his Red hordes to see such a sight!" For Trotsky's Reds are at this moment only a few miles outside of Warsaw, rolling their huge tide of guns and cavalry up from the south, in from the east, and further and further along the north, filling the Vistula Corridor to cut us off from the sea, encircling the city in a ring of disaster.

OUR LADY'S ROSARY October is dedicated to devotion to Our Lady's Rosary, which latter is not only, like all exercises of prayer, a help to the Christian life, but is itself a picture of that life and a commentary on it, from which we may always be learning new lessons to help us on our way to Heaven.

But if Trotsky, the irreconcilable terrorist, would have smiled, his keener witted partner, Lenin, would not, I think. His sharper ear would have caught that note of challenge in the voice of the hundred thousand, and he would have known that it was a note that neither guns nor cavalry nor even butchery and terrorism could silence. Lenin would

have seen in this vast throng of singing hordes, so easily to be scattered with carbines and horses' hoofs, a far more formidable obstacle to the Red advance than a mere mob of praying women and crippled men.

All my life I have been curious about Catholic countries, but events and some observation in certain parts of Europe during recent years had considerably shaken my belief in the existence of any such thing, until I came to Poland. Now Poland has given me back my confidence.

DEVOTION OF POLES The way in which the Polish people, in town and country, attend Mass and devotions is something never to be forgotten. In the first place, the men go as well as the women—and that is a point worth noting in Europe. The church seems, in fact, to be decidedly a man's church in this country.

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What is it that every living person has seen but will never see again? Answer: DRY E YEAST.

What is that which you break by just naming it? Answer: ICE LENS.

What is the difference between a 1920 dime and an 1899 cent? Answer: NICE NETS N.

HERE are four riddles for boys and girls with wise heads. We told the artist to draw the pictures to represent the riddles, but he guessed the answers—and put them in too!

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who are trying to attract our young men into associations which while they give facilities for satisfying their inclinations, tend to make an insidious attack in the hearts of the young men on the sacred treasures of Catholic principles, and which relieve material distress and at the same moment steal a patrimony of inestimable value, the patrimony of the faith.

HOLY FATHER POINTS THE WAY Another wave of pessimism is sweeping over the world. The voices of leading publicists express their apprehension of the future of Europe. Great scholars proclaim their despair of finding remedies for the multitudinous ills that afflict society.

IN MEMORIAM Of your charity pray for the repose of the soul of Kathleen Anne O'Beirne, wife of A. L. Bezzard, 428 Dufferin Ave., Winnipeg, Man., who died in the Misericordia Hospital, 16th of Oct., 1919. Sweet Jesus have mercy.

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SOLVE THESE RIDDLES WIN THIS CAR

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What Others Have Done YOU Can Do Here are the names of only a few of the boys and girls to whom we have already awarded big prizes.



THE PRIZES FIRST PRIZE, Genuine Culver Chummy Racer, \$250.00 Second Prize, Real Typewriter, 40.00 Third Prize, Genuine Autographic Kodak Folding Camera, 35.00 Fourth Prize, Magnificent Gold Watch and Chain or Girl's Wrist Watch, 25.00 Fifth Prize, French Baby Doll and Wicker Carriage, 15.00 Sixth Prize, Moving Picture Machine, with Film, 10.00 Seventh to Tenth Prizes, Self-filler Fountain Pens, each 5.00