POLAND

BESIEGED PEOPLE ASK AID OF

HEAVEN By Captain Charles Phillips, A. R. C.

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 Sociaties, and such demonstrations, could equal the sweeping emotion of this tremendous moving force. were one hundred thousand people in it, and it was not a formally programmed affair, but a mighty, spontaneous outburst of faith and feeling. It was the people of Warsaw calling upon God to save their city.

Men, women and children marched in this great procession, which lasted from noon until evening. The men were mostly the aged and the cripnumbers 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 FOLES

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

Mass were men. In winter I have child like. In Poland one hears singing on all sides of him, especially in these days of war when troops are forever coming and going. The Polish soldiers sing centinuously. apparently never tiring as they swing along to the rythm of their fullvigorous war tunes. The Polish battle songs are far different from those which became papular among our men of the A. E. F. in France and Germany.

The song that was being sung by God," except that it was more of a hymn of supplication than of praise :

Almighty Ged! Holy and immortal God! Have pity on us! ' Jesus pardon.

Jesus hear us, Loving Christ 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 that vocal storm struck my ears. The environment. Crowds of them at all or only at much higher rates procession was a block away then, throng up into the sauctuary and than are normally demanded. They, passing down across the street, around the altar during Mass, kneel-therefore, find themselves severely procession was a block away then, Never have I heard such a swelling ing and sitting on the altar steps, handicapped in providing protection volume of harmonious sound as quite as much at ease as if they for their dependents. Under the swept from that marching host. It were on their own doorsteps. Any Returned Soldiers' Insurance Act all by war and recommending a more came, as it were, in billows, men's one of them—a simple soldier or a returned men are placed on an equal Christian method of deeling with voices and women's voices and chil. gold-braided officer, a beggar or a basis as no medical examination is enemies, the method of reconciliadren's voices all blended into one vast
rising sea of song, with apathetic
sweetness that gripped one's heart
I have seen that happen more than
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such a sight!" For Trotsky's Reds are at this moment only a few miles. The churches here in Warsaw have without children is required to name. To the Knights outside of Warsaw, rolling their huge been packed. This merning's protide of guns and cavalry up from the cession was the culmination of these beneficiaries. Should the insurel false and treacherous organizations south, in from the east, and further devotions. My ears are ringing yet south, in from the east, and further 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. For days we have heard in imagination the thunder of the Soviet hoofs beating up nearer and nearer around the Polish capital.

Unless something happens—another

My ears are ringing yet with the slaging and praying of that procession. The Bolshevik, according to this afternoon's Official Communique are less than 40 kilometres, 25 miles, away. Will the city fall?

Will these atreets be thronged in a few days with the Red hordes?

Will the sheer human weight of the Colhaviks prayangularing forces preak preak preak prayang forces preak preak prayangularing forces preak preak preak preak preak prayangularing forces preak pr Marne reverse, another 59th minute Bolsheviks prepondering forces break war miracle, the Red tide will sweep through and scatter these hundred through us and over us on its rush thousand praying Poles—and make for the Western World. But now, Trotsky laugh? today, something has come to drown that thunder, for a little while at least, a sound so vigorous and dis- thing but martyr blood. tinct that it seems more than a supplication to Heaven—it is a cry of deflance to the approaching enemy.

That is just the point-it is a cry of defiance to the enemy, a challenge to the Red powers to do their worst There is no denying, of course, that Trotaky, the Jew genius of Soviet terrorism, would have laughed at the spectacle of women and children—and men!—marching through the streets praying and singing—the silliness and the futility of it all, with the day already set and proclaimed, just one week hence, August 15th, for the fall of Warsaw and the final crushing of Poland. Could Trotsky, in fact, ask for a more conit is only by following her example of crete example of the medieval feeble-mindedness of a people who would stop to pray to Ged for help, with the invincible hand of the Rads

at their very throats? terroriet, would have smiled, his patience which are the secret of keener witted partner, Lenin, would progress in the spiritual life in a not, I think. His sharper car would degree only second to the degree have caught that note of challenge in which these virtues are exhibited in the voice of the hundred thousand, in Our Lord Himself, but it exhibits and he would have known that it them as caused by the operation was a note that neither guns nor of His grace, the same power which cavalry nor even butchery and operates in as : and it exhibits this terrorism could silspee. Lenin would grace working as the result of a

have seen in this vast throng of sing-ing hemebodies, so, easily to be scattered with carbines and horses' hoofs, a far more fermidable obstacle ways an example to us in which hoofs, a far more fermidable obstacle ways an example to us in which to the Red advance than a mere mob Our Lord Himself is not. He of praying women and crippled men. teaches us by His example devotion It was the ancient Christian faith of to her, that we may learn from her Peland that raised its voice in that example devotion to Him and retremendous demonstration, and the course to the power of His grace. Faith of Poland is more invincible Since the Rosary follows in its ner's armies might crush and terrorize, neither he alone nor the two of from it something of the progress them together could ever make of those, who imitating Mary's

Poland Bolshevik. All my life I have been curious | tion to Jesus and dependence on Him. about Oatholic countries, but events There is a correspondence in num-and some observation in certain ber between the Fifteen Mysteries of parts of Europe during recent years the Rosary and the Fifteen Gradual had considerably shaken my belief Psalms, or Songs of Degrees. Nor in the existence of any such thing, is the correspondence only a until I came to Poland. Now Poland matter of the number being has given me back my confidence. the same in each case. It Poland is today the most Catholic is said that the steps which led country in the world. The only up to the Temple of Solomon were Returned Soldiers' Insurance, Trans other country I can at all liken it fifteen in number, and that the portation Building, Ottawa. to is Ireland. Here in Poland you Songs of Degrees, or ascents, sung have all the faith and devotion of by the pilgrims as they made their the ideal Ireland multiplied by may to Jersualem were to corresmillions in numbers and intensified pond with them. And the Fifteen millions in numbers and intensified by all the tragedies of persecution and deprivation that made the faith of the Irish shine like a star.

Mysteries of the Rosary are intensified the steps, by which, going on from steps, by which, going on from steps, by which, going on from the Irish shine like a star.

Townsle: and the devotions

The way in which the Polish

people, in town and country, attend
Mass and devotions is something seek to travel to the same goal. We 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. Any congregation in any church at any hoar will show you a percentage of men that is nothing short of astonishing to one who comes into Poland from ether Catholic countries where the male generally makes himself more conspicuous by his absence than otherwise. Before the present Red invasion, and before the new volunteer army drained the country, seen Hely Cross Church, here in Insurance at most favourable rates. Warsaw-one of the largest in the The Act became effective on city, and famous as the burial place of the heart of Chopin-packed to in force for two years. the doors for one Mass after another, Under the provisions of the Act up to noon. During one of the worst any honourably discharged soldier, blizzards I ever was in (not even sailor, or nurse, of the Canadian excepting Northern Wisconsin) I saw Forces domiciled and resident in that church drawing in and pouring out the same endless throngs that ment to an amount of from \$500.00 overflowed it beyond its broad sweep- to \$5,000.00. Under certain condiing stairways on sunny days. I tions the widow of a returned soldier, remember well, in that blizzard, who died subsequent to discharge, these hundred thousand was one that in many ways resembles our "Hely in stood bareheaded in the storm how the people who could not get may also obtain insurance. attending Mass. There were a dozen or more soldiers outside the doors, Act are available to anyone, male or them. They are listening to his high ranking efficer among them. female who served during the late He too, was bare headed, saying his beads.

War in the Imperial Army or with grasping at his counsels.

He has spoken often

An American is a little shocked at associated powers, providing they first by the behavior of the Poles were domiciled and resident in Canat church. At one glance we might ada before the War and hold an think them lacking in reverence. But on acquaintance we learn our Many of those who served over-mistake. The truth is, the Poles are seas, while not suffering from a bling walls of Jericho an easy thing

My first thought was "Wouldn't Sacrament in all the churches ariss are limited in the case of a pleasure and the rebellion against Trotsky and his Reds laugh to see throughout the country, petitioning married man to his wife and children.

Even so, Poland will not die, nor Lenin make Poland Red with any-

OUR LADY'S ROSARY

October is dedicated to devotion to Our Lady's Rosary, which latter is not only, like all exercises of prayer, their very throats?

But if Trotsky, the irreconcilable humility, the charity, obedience and

An exceptional advantage of this insurance is the provision made for a disability benefit. Under this section should the policy holder become Faith of Poland is more invincible than the might of Red Russia. Lenin, locking on this procession, would have realized that however his part. Course to the power of His grace. Since the Rosary follows in its is relieved from paying further mysteries the progress of Mary's locking on this procession, would have realized that however his part. Which leads her at last to His side in ments equal to one-twentieth of the totally and permanently disabled he

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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 may expect then, as we trace in them our Mother's footsteps, to find society. Distrust, greed, and gruelling toil have written their mark indelibly upon the lives of men. valuable guidance for planting our Tomorrow and tomorrow and tomorrow creeps in this petty pace from day to day" and what real reward has been reaped from the centuries of planning, of framing theories of government, of dreaming dreams of progress? Decimated by disease, dissatisfied with the present, uncertain of the future, mankind

All returned soldiers and their sees itself threatened with the ruin families will be interested in the cits hopes.
Returned Soldiers' Insurance Act, To minds overawed by such under which they are provided with sombre reflections the messages sent an opportunity of obtaining Life forth by the Vicar of Christ are like a ray from Heaven. The Sovereign Pontiff perceives the lights and shadows in the gloomy picture that the world today presents, but he has the advantage of perspective in Christendom the troubled world conwos he passes, with a stout heart, consoling the afflicted, helping the poor, and reestablishing peace. His message is one of hope, of love, of Christian reconciliation. The Holy Father dominates the world situa In addition to former members of tion. Men are turning to him for

voice, reflecting on his words, and He has spoken often since the close of the late momentous conflict, and he has always spoken to reprove some error and to indicate the unfailing remedy. To the Bishop of mercy. Bergamo he sent a message for the toilers, bidding them beware of the simply and naturally at home in severe disability, find that their error of placing the be all and the their churches and altogether unconphysical condition is such that they end all of existence in earthly happiness, and urging them to place their hopes of reward where it truly be-

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