

Fall of Warsaw is Expected

London, July 19, 11.25 p. m.—Can Warsaw be held, with the German field marshals, Von Hindenburg on the north and Von Mackensen on the south, whipping forward the two ends of a great arc around the city? It is realized in England that Grand Duke Nicholas, commander-in-chief of the Russian armies, has the most severe task imposed on him since the outbreak of the European war, and the military writers of some of the London papers seem to think that the task is well-nigh impossible.

There was sustained confidence that Germany's previous violent attacks along the Russo-Polish front would never pierce the Russian line, but the present gigantic co-ordinate movement was developed with such suddenness and carried so far without meeting serious Russian resistance that more and more the British press is discounting the fall of the Polish capital, and, while not giving up all hope of its retention, is printing out the enormous difficulty the Russian armies have labored under from the start by the existence of such a salient.

Having been unable to straighten out their line by an advance through East Prussia, in the north, and Galicia in the south, the Russians have perpetually faced the pincers of the Austro-Germans, and if these can now be sufficiently tightened Warsaw must go, and with it the entire line.

As was the case on Saturday, when the Austro-Germans recorded the success of their offensive in the east, no official communication from either Berlin or Vienna reached the London newspapers today. Saturday's communication was released Sunday for publication, and up to nearly midnight tonight no new communication has come to hand. In the absence of additional official information from Petrograd there is nothing to throw fresh light on the eastern front, but the Austro-German advance could hardly so soon have lost its momentum.

According to the latest accounts the Austro-German forces, advancing from Przasnysz, were within forty miles of Warsaw; while the south Von Mackensen's centre was, at certain points, within ten miles of the Lublin-Chelem railroad.

Paris, July 19, via London.—The following official statement was issued by the French war office tonight: "In Artois there was a violent cannonade near Souchez, but no infantry attack. Sixty shells were thrown into Arras.

"In the Argonne fighting with bombs and petards took place. "On the heights of the Meuse the Germans this afternoon delivered two strong attacks against our positions on the right ridge south of Souvaux, which were completely repulsed. The enemy then bombarded our trenches and with weak effectives delivered a series of minor attacks, which we repulsed. The German losses were considerable.

"Quite prevailed on the rest of the front. "One of our aeroplanes pursued and brought down by machine gun fire an enemy aeroplane, which fell in flames within the German lines near Soissons. Our artillery completed its destruction."

HOW MAJOR McCUAIG WON HIS HONORS

Montreal Highlanders' Heroic Stand Against Great Odds

CAPTAIN ROSS TELLS TALE

Fight at St. Julien, a Small Body of Killies Held German Furies at Bay For Three Days

(Montreal Journal of Commerce) The following letter from the pen of Captain J. G. Ross has just been received by the Editor of The Journal of Commerce. In it Captain Ross tells of the heroic part played by Major McCuaig in the fighting at St. Julien. It is one of the clearest and best written letters received dealing with the historic battle. Captain Ross enclosed a clipping from an English paper announcing the award to Major McCuaig and writes as follows:

The Empress Hotel, Vincent Square, London, July 2nd, 1915. Dear Jack—They enclosed clipping doesn't give much of an idea of what Major McCuaig really did to win the D. S. O. So few are left who were in the corner with him that we won't get all the details till the war is over and the major is home if he can be persuaded to tell them even then.

We took over a section of trench on a Tuesday night from the 14th Battalion, who had relieved French troops five days previously. For some time this part of the line, the left of the British section, had been rather quiet. The parapets were not very good being built on the 14th had relined with an extra layer of sand bags. No. 1 Company under Major McCuaig and Captain Whitehead held the left of the line, which extended 40 yards on the left of a road which was 100 yards in advance of the rest of the line, to which it was connected by a shallow communication trench. The centre was held by No. 2 company under Major Jamison and Captain Perry and the right of the line by No. 3 Company under Captain Clark Kennedy and Lieut. Lindsay, 800 yards in rear of No. 1 Company. We were the supports, part of No. 8 Company under Capt. Drummond. Major Nonworthy who had command of the firing line, had his headquarters here. A couple of miles in the rear were the reserves the balance of No. 8 Company, under Major Buchanan and Capt. Morrissey at Battalion Headquarters. Here were also the reserves of the neighboring battalion of the brigade under Col. Loomis.

Wednesday morning the Turcos on the left "got the wind up," that is answered a fairly sharp rifle fire from the enemy and in the afternoon a heavy bombardment of their trenches was carried on. About 5 p. m. a heavy yellowish green cloud of gas rolled across the trenching 100 yards from the enemy trenches into our allies. The suffocating effect of this following the heavy shelling caused the Turcos to fall back. It is a usual proceeding of the French to retire from an attack and then retake the trench by a sharp counter-attack. Many of the Turcos retired into our lines, dying from suffocation before they got any distance.

One platoon of No. 1 Company made a counter-attack and retook part of the French trench. Such a length of the trench had been vacated and the parapet so badly demolished by shell fire that at dusk Major McCuaig drew this platoon back and lined the road to protect the left flank. Captain Walker and Lieut. Pittblado and Greenhields were on the road while Capt. Whitehead had command of the trench. Reinforcements under Lt. Worthington, consisting of one platoon of No. 2 Company and half a platoon of No. 4 Company also took up a position on the road.

After the enemy broke through they surrounded our supports and cut off our communication, so that with the fall of Major Nonworthy the line was in charge of the company commander. During the night the enemy dug in

parallel to the road, and about 200 yards distant on sloping ground. They threw flares continuously and a heavy rifle fire was kept up by both sides. Machine guns under Sgt. Trainor and Lance-Corporal Parks kept the bombing parties at a distance.

Two Turco machine gun crews had retired into our lines. I brought these and another gun under Lance-Corporal Morrison out to reinforce the road. The men along the road were falling fast, as they had only what shelter they could dig with their entrenching tools.

Every time we went along the road the gaps were bigger, but as Major McCuaig had sent several pairs of messengers to headquarters, he determined to hold on, as supports were sure to come up. We didn't know till next day that the enemy had us surrounded on three sides, and all our messengers were either killed or captured.

Once in going the rounds of the machine guns with Pte. Wrenchel, I came across the three lieutenants and Sgt. Major Ableton in a Jack Johnson hole discussing the situation. Each had a cigarette, but didn't dare to strike a light. Luckily my pipe was going, so they were able to enjoy a smoke.

The other companies sent up spare ammunition, but as it came near morning, Major McCuaig decided there were not enough men left to hold the road and he would move back the remainder into the trench. Capt. Whitehead had about 80 Turcos in the trench, and had been continually moving the wounded back to the other companies, who passed them on to the 10th Battalion on the right.

When we thought we had all the wounded back and were ready to make the move, two more wounded Turcos were discovered in a dugout. Major McCuaig got half a dozen other Turcos to reinforce these. It was now breaking day, and we had no time to lose. To cover the change of position, Corporal McFarlane, with a dozen men and Sgt. Trainor with a machine gun, kept up a fire from a sand bag breastwork. Just as this rearguard were ready to move back a lad was struck in the arm. McFarlane held my flashlight while I cut his sleeve and bandaged the wound. He got back in good order, just in time to meet our long-looked-for supports. Major Buchanan and Capt. Smith, with part of No. 3 Company, and a company of the Buffs under Capt. Tomlinson and two lieutenants. By tearing down the dugouts and turning the parapet into parapets we managed to hold on another day, but with heavy losses along the whole front shelling, bombs and rifle fire from three sides. The trenches were badly enfiladed from the new enemy trenches on the left flank. The enemy tried two attacks, but didn't get far past their parapets.

In the afternoon Corp. Campbell got along the line with an order to take up a new position and dig in to connect with a new line being formed by reinforcements. After dark this movement was carried out in good order. The rear guard was composed of part of a platoon under Lieut. Greenhields, and the machine guns. Major McCuaig and Capt. Tomlinson also stayed with us and saw that the wounded were taken back.

By daylight we were dug in and had our first meal, bread and cheese, but no water since the action commenced. Some of the men even slept under the heavy shelling and the cloud of gas that rolled over from the right flank.

The last that was seen of Major McCuaig was in the next movement following his company to reserve trenches. He was then unaccounted for, so we were all very much relieved when we got word he was wounded and a prisoner. The leg is making good progress, but I have settled down here for the next few months. Our fellows are now getting leave, two at a time, eight days each. We are glad to see them and get the news.

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