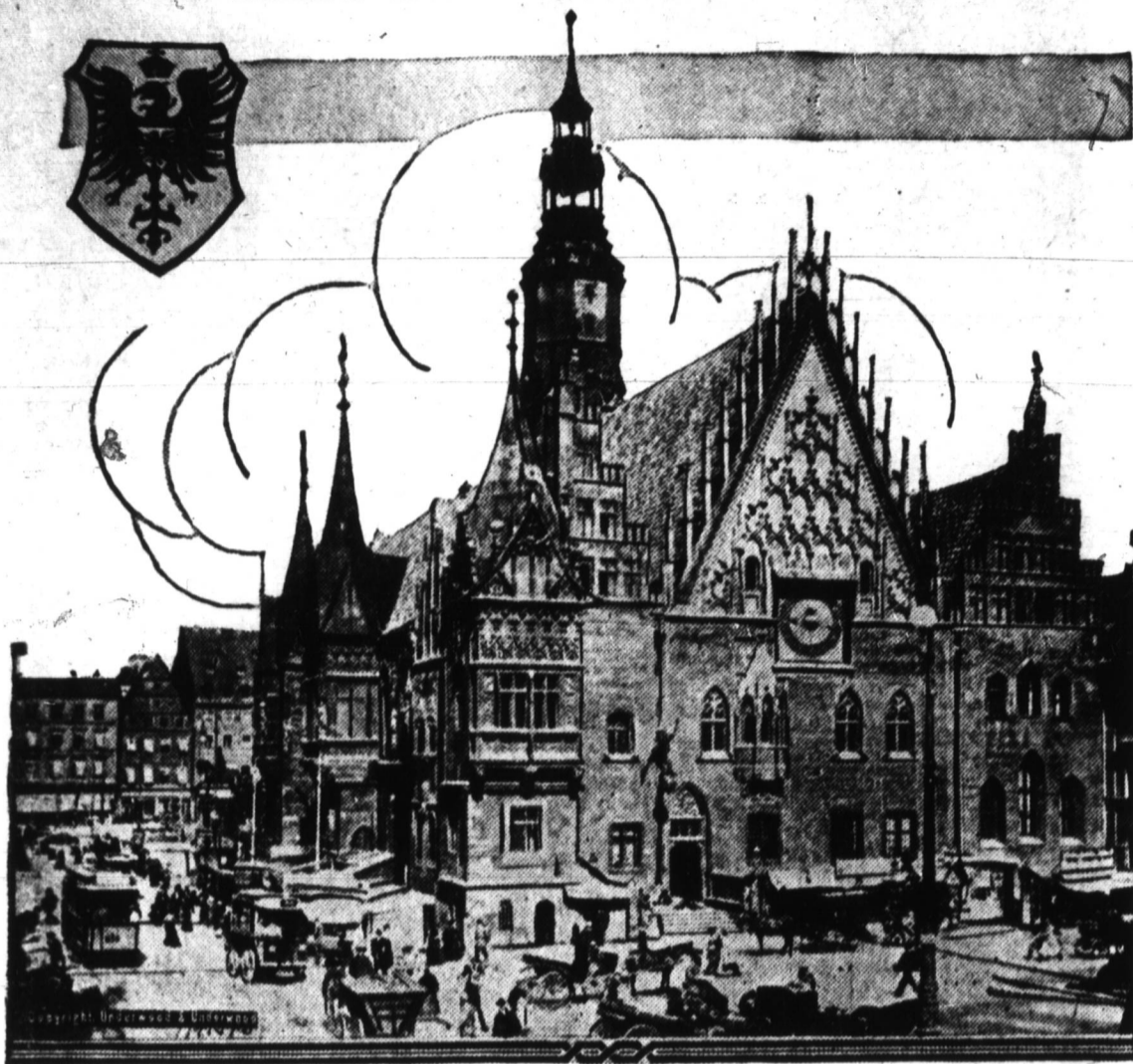
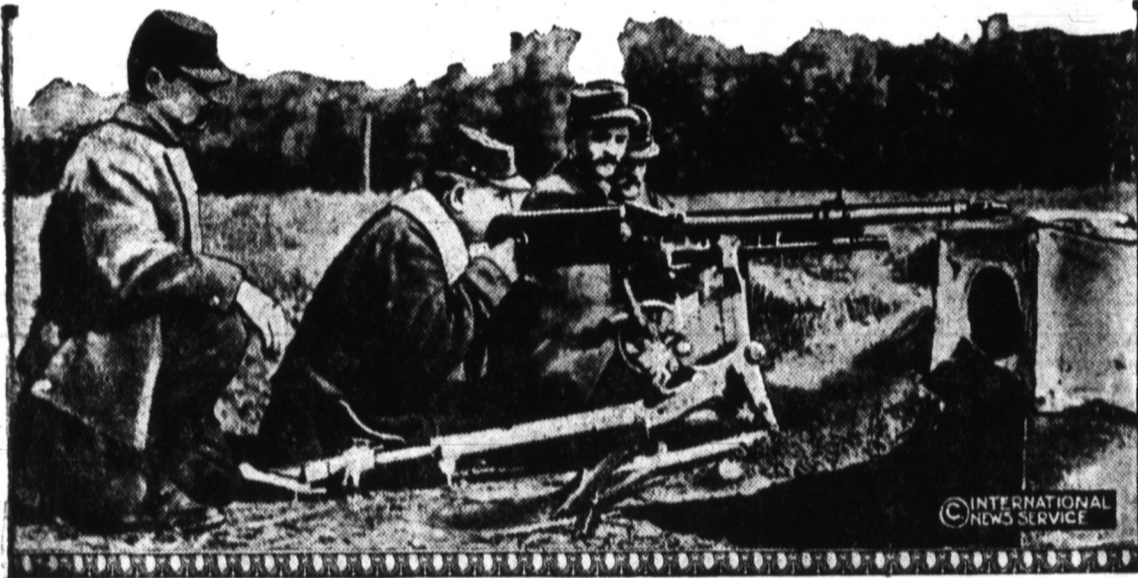


BRESLAU MAY BE BESIEGED BY RUSSIANS



Breslau, capital of Silesia, the stately city hall of which is here shown, is in some danger of being besieged by the Russians, and has been prepared for a stubborn defense.

FRENCH MITRAILLEUSE IN ACTION



RUSSIANS BEHIND BARRICADES



BRITISH CYCLE CORPS WITH COLT GUN



CAPTURED A GERMAN COUNT



Private J. Rousseau of the Fourth regiment of Belgian chasseur cheval is one of the heroes of the war by reason of his capture of Count von Buelow, son of the German chancellor. In the photograph he is wearing the Military Gold Cross, presented him by the Belgian king, and is to be the recipient of the Order of Leopold. Rousseau was injured by a kick from von Buelow's horse. He took from the count his dispatch box, his uniform and 165,000 francs which he turned over to the Red Cross.

Four Sons of Rival Arms Dis. Bordeaux.—A Swiss woman living at Basel married a German. Two sons were born to them. Afterward she married a Frenchman and had two more sons. All four of her sons were called to arms, two on each side. The mother has just received news that all four have fallen in battle.

OFFICIAL BRITISH REPORT SAYS GERMANS FIRE ON OWN FORCES

London.—The official press bureau issued a descriptive account of the operations in France of the British force and the French armies in immediate touch with it, communicated by an eye witness present at the headquarters of Field Marshal Sir John French.

"Sept. 25, 1914—For four days there has been a comparative lull all along our front. This has been accompanied by a spell of fine weather, though the nights are now much colder. One cannot have everything, however, and one evil result of the sunshine has been the release of flies, which were torpid during the wet days.

"Advantage has been taken of the arrival of re-enforcements to relieve by fresh troops the men who have been on the firing line for some time. Several units therefore have received their baptism of fire during the week.

Germans Fire on Own Men.

"Since the last letter left general headquarters evidence has been received which points to the fact that during counter-attacks on the night of Sunday, the 20th, the German infantry fired into each other as the result of an attempt to carry out the dangerous expedient of a converging advance in the dark.

"Opposite one portion of our position a considerable massing of hostile forces was observed before dark, and some hours later a furious fusillade was heard in front of our line, though no bullets came over our trenches.

Many Dead in Trenches.

"This narrative begins with September 21 and covers only two days. On Monday, the 21st, there was little rain and the weather took a turn for the better, which has been maintained. The action was practically confined to the artillery, our guns at one point shelling and driving away the enemy, who were endeavoring to construct a redoubt. The Germans for their part expended a large number of heavy shells in a long range bombardment of a village.

"Reconnoitering parties sent out during the night of September 21-22 discovered some deserted trenches, and in them, or near them, in the woods, more than a hundred dead and wounded were picked up. A number of rifles, ammunition and equipment also were found. There were other signs that portions of the enemy's forces had withdrawn for some distance.

"Tuesday, the 22nd, also was a fine day, with less wind, and was one of the most uneventful days that has passed since we reached the Aisne—uneventful, that is, for the British. There was less artillery work on either side, the Germans nevertheless giving another village a taste of the 'Jack Johnsons.'

Bodies in 'No Man's Land.'

"The spot thus honored was not far from the ridge where some of the most severe fighting in which we have taken part has occurred. All over this 'no man's land' between the lines the bodies of German infantrymen are still lying in heaps where they have fallen at different times.

"Espionage plays so large a part in the conduct of the war by the Germans that it is difficult to avoid further reference to the subject. They have evidently never forgotten the saying of Frederick the Great: 'When Marshal Soubise goes to war he is followed by a hundred cooks; when I take the field I am preceded by a hundred spies.'

"Indeed, until about twenty years ago there was a paragraph in their field service regulations directing that the service of 'protection in the field'—outposts and advanced guards—should always be supplemented by a system of espionage.

Many Spies Give Signals.

"Though such instructions are no longer made public, the Germans, as is well known, still carry them into effect. Apart from the more elaborate arrangements which were made in peace time for obtaining information by paid agents, some of the methods which are being employed for the collection or conveyance of intelligence are as follows:

"Men in plain clothes signal to the German lines from points in the hands of the enemy by means of colored lights at night and puffs of smoke from chimneys by day. Pseudo laborers working in the fields between the armies have been detected conveying information and persons in plain clothes have acted as advanced scouts to the German cavalry when advancing.

Officers Remain Behind.

"German officers and soldiers in plain clothes, or in French or British uniforms, have remained in localities evacuated by the Germans in order to furnish them with intelligence.

"One spy of this kind was found by our troops hidden in a church tower. His presence was discovered only through the erratic movements of the hands of the church clock, which he was using to signal to his friends by means of an improved semaphore code.

"Had this man not been seized it is probable he would have signaled to the German artillery at the time of their arrival the exact location of the headquarters and staff. A high explosive shell would then have mysteriously dropped on the building.

"Women spies also have been caught; secret agents have been found

at the railroads observing entrainments and detrainments.

"It is a simple matter for spies to mix with the refugees moving about to their homes; difficult for our troops, who speak neither French nor German, to detect them.

"The French have found it necessary to search villages and also casual wayfarers on the roads for carrier pigeons.

"Among the precautions taken by us to guard against spying is the publication of the following notice printed in French and posted:

"1. Motor cars and bicycles not carrying soldiers in uniform may not circulate on the roads.

"2. The inhabitants may not leave the localities where they reside between 6 p. m. and 6 a. m.

"3. Inhabitants may not quit their homes after 8 p. m.

"4. No person may on any pretext pass through the British lines without an authorization, countersigned by a British officer."

Value of Secrecy Shown.

"Events have moved so quickly during the last two months that anything connected with the mobilization of the British expeditionary force is now ancient history. Nevertheless, the following extract of a German order is evidence of the mystification of the enemy and is a tribute to the value of secrecy, well and loyally maintained at the time in England:

"Tenth Reserve Army Headquarters, Mont St. Guibert, Aug. 20, 1914, 23:40.—Corps order, Aug. 21: The French troops in front of the Tenth army corps have retreated south across the Sambre. Part of the Belgian army has withdrawn to Antwerp. It is reported that an English army has disembarked at Calais and Boulogne, en route for Brussels."

DEATH COMES SWIFTLY TO TWO GERMAN SPIES

London.—A story received from a point in France it is not permitted to specify says:

A soldier comes out from behind a pine tree with rifle and fixed bayonet: "Ou allez vous?" he says, stepping before me and dropping his bayonet point a little toward me.

"Je vais me promener," I reply smiling, and anticipate his next demand by pulling out my case and displaying my special permit, also various other papers and an officially stamped photograph, which proves my identification with the name-upon the special permit.

"Monsieur, permit me," says the soldier suddenly in very fair English. "Monsieur is ze man that writes. I shake you by ze hand with ver' great pleasure. It is to me an honor!"

We "shake" with enormous embarrassment and I compliment him upon his English.

He smiles, gratified, and disclaims with great modesty. He beckons me back among the trees.

"One comes!" he says. "Ssh! Ze woods here have been many times set in flames. We have suspects these be done with intention."

See Spy Among Trees.

He ceased his whisper abruptly and we both bent forward together. A hundred yards down the narrow path among the pines a man in a workman's blue blouse is standing, looking quietly in every direction.

Suddenly he takes a couple of steps in among the trees, stoops and lifts a stone.

Far down the hillside at the end of the narrow vista among the trees, a second man was suddenly seen. So utter is the silence that I can hear him plainly as he coughs. He begins to haul on something, and I realize suddenly the meaning of the whole incident that I am watching. The two men have located the underground private telephone wire going up to the fort. They have been tapping it for any news they might pick up.

Death is Painless.

The soldier is methodical. He takes the distant man first. Kneeling there behind him, I watch with a growing thrill and tension of tragedy and sickness his sunburned cheek cuddle against the stock of his rifle. Then very slowly it seems to me in that quiet, dreadful moment his stubby cigarette stained forefinger crooks back gently, gently on the trigger.

"Crack!" comes the sharp, snapping bang of the weapon, and the man down the vista of trees gives a queer little jump and then turns right around quickly and looks behind him. "And thus looking, and seemingly unaware that he is the person who has been shot, his heart stops and he rolls over quite easily and gently on his side—a merciful enough death, as these violent deaths go, for some of them are so dreadful.

Shoots Second German.

And then, as I stare, the rifle goes "crack!" again, and I jump; for I am still looking at the silent figure down the vista of trees.

But the soldier has been attending to his business and has snapped off a second shot at the nearer man, for the man had started to bolt. And because the shot was hastily aimed the second death is as cruel as the first was merciful.

An examination of both bodies shows that the men were German spies, in possession of "ciphered" information that would no doubt prove very helpful to our enemies.

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