

ARMY SOLDIERS SURRENDER TO CUPID Charms of Philadelphia Girls Prove Irresistible to Men of Dandy 315th

SIX HEARTS HAPPY NOW But It's "Awful Tough" to Leave Their Brides to Go Away to France

By a Staff Correspondent CAMP MEADE, Md., Nov. 14. Dan Cupid has won another sweeping victory against the Seventy-ninth Division, and three stalwart privates of the Dandy 315th Infantry no longer are bachelors.

The beneficiaries, members of Company G, surrendered to Cupid and the charms of three Philadelphia girls on Saturday, but through the camp censorship until this afternoon.

Briefly, the story is this: J. Lloyd Freas, 1719 North Dudd street, is now the husband of Miss Laura M. Gardner, 2411 South Sixty-first street. Miss Carolyn Clements, 849 North Forty-fifth street, is the wife of Carl R. Martin, and Walter G. Reeves, Fifteenth and Cayuga streets, declines to reveal the identity of his bride.

"I am married," says Reeves, and that is all there is about it. "Happy? Never so joyous in my life."

On Friday morning Freas and Martin went to Captain Oltner and asked for a three days' leave of absence. "Why do you want so much time?" asked the captain. "We're going to get married," replied Freas.

"Oh, that is different," said the commander, "but don't forget that you're soldiers and that you're going to France. However, you can have the leave." Then Reeves made a similar request, supported by a similar story, and won a slip of white paper that excused him for three days.

Freas and Martin drafted privates Francis and Nilan to act as best men and after hiring an automobile, started for Philadelphia. They obtained marriage licenses in that town late Friday night and hurried to Philadelphia.

Their chauffeur lost his way and by the time they struck the city, the sun was up and smiling blandly at the prospective soldier bridegrooms.

"And at 2 o'clock," said Freas, "Martin and myself, with the two sweetest girls in Philadelphia, drove up to the parsonage of the Mantua Baptist Church, Forty-third street and Fairmount avenue. The Rev. Mr. Price tied the knots."

Freas looked at Martin and the latter, who had done little talking, seemed to sense the thoughts of his pal comrade.

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follow if the railroads refuse to grant the demands. The proposed increases for lines east of Chicago most amount to \$48,000,000 a year and for the entire country \$169,000,000.

"We have thousands of men earning only \$2.50 a day," said W. S. Carter, president of the Brotherhood of Railroad Firemen and Engineers.

President Lee said "half a dozen" separate points, all relating to wage scales, have been submitted to the men and that a result of the vote can be expected "by the end of the month."

"If the railroads can't afford to pay living wages, let the Government set in motion its machinery. Let the Interstate Commerce Commission adjust rates. Great Britain has solved the problem."

"Thousands of railway employes are being kept from work by a desire to get better pay for them. Every one knows that the cost of living has jumped 30 to 100 per cent and these poorly paid men are hit hard."

President Lee said the vote will concern the wages of all classes of men, but particularly brakemen, firemen and baggage men.

The eight-hour law, he said, while shortening the day, did not in many instances help the men, because the railroads have been able to adapt themselves to the shorter day, eliminating overtime.

"This is the only issue," said Lee, "that railroads employes are as patriotic as any class in the United States. But you must keep their stomachs full if you want them to help win the war."

ONE KILLED, MANY HURT IN WEST VIRGINIA FIRE Morgantown Department Chief Loses Life While Fighting \$65,000 Blaze

GLI AUSTRO-TEDESCHI RESPINTI VICINO ASIAGO Le Valorose Truppe Italiane Contrattaccano il Nemico e Liberano i Prigionieri

ROMA, 14 Novembre. Notizie ufficiali pervenute dalla fronte di battaglia recano che le forze austro-tedesche hanno rinnovato vigorosi attacchi contro le posizioni occupate dagli italiani sull'altipiano di Asiago, ma sono state respinte con gravi perdite ed anche contrattaccate.

Nel basso corso della Piave, e precisamente presso Zenson, i turchoni con l'aiuto di grossi barconi e di zattere sono riusciti ad attraversare il fiume ed a stabilire una testa di ponte vicino la città. Però non sono rimasti a lungo nelle loro posizioni poiché le truppe italiane con estremo vigore contrattaccarono il nemico e lo costrinsero a ritirarsi e a ripassare il fiume.

Ecco il testo del comunicato ufficiale del Comando Supremo Italiano, pubblicato ieri dal Ministero della Guerra in Roma: "Durante la notte di domenica il nemico, con rinnovati e poderosi sforzi, tentò di attaccare le nostre posizioni sulla fronte Monte Meletta-Melletta di Gallo, sull'altipiano di Asiago."

Durante un contrattacco, seguito da una disperata lotta, il nemico fu respinto ed ebbe a soffrire rilevanti perdite. Ben sostenuti dal fuoco della nostra artiglieria di montagna, i nostri soldati, ed il battaglione Alpini "Verona" seppero compiere prodigi di valore nel predetto contrattacco, distinguendosi per ardimento ed eroismo.

Durante il pomeriggio di ieri intensi movimenti del nemico, che preludevano ad un nuovo attacco, furono effettivamente evitati ed arrestati dal fuoco della nostra artiglieria ad occidente di Asiago. Le nostre colonne d'assalto attaccarono ed sfilarono alcuni carri e camion, e ricattarono alcuni prigionieri in precedenti azioni. Dal fronte fino al basso corso del fiume si aprirono le conferenze che lungo gli assi erano state sostenute trattando dalle azioni delle nostre retroguardie ed accettando dalle interruzioni delle principali strade, hanno occupato il territorio da noi evacuato ed ora sono a contatto con le nostre truppe.

Con l'aiuto di larghi barconi gruppi nemici, susseguendosi da Monte San Ponsa di Piave circa ventimila a nord-est di Venezia riuscirono ad attraversare il fiume sulla riva destra a Zenson e stabilirsi a postadiponte. Le nostre truppe prontamente fecero fronte all'attacco e con un contrattacco respinsero il nemico al di là della riva del fiume.

Durante la giornata di ieri, nonostante le condizioni atmosferiche sfavorevoli, un largo numero di nostri aerei bombardarono i barconi nemici e la riva sinistra del fiume Piave e volando a mirioli altezze rivolsero il fuoco delle mitragliatrici contro le truppe che marciavano lungo la strada presso la riva del fiume.

Da altra notizia pervenuta dalla fronte italiana si apprende la conferma che lungo il basso corso della Piave si sta verificando un incessante ed intenso bombardamento. Questa azione delle artiglierie segna la fase iniziale di vaste ed importanti operazioni che forse segneranno il principio di una grande battaglia che si svolgerà su tutta la fronte.

Intanto si continua a prendere misure precauzionali per la protezione delle opere d'arte e per i monumenti di Venezia, temendosi che i cannoni tedeschi, di lunga portata, aprano il bombardamento sulla città. Il Palazzo dei Dogi è stato coperto con sacchi di sabbia, come pure il campanile della Piazza San Marco.

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concerning the other fronts will ultimately be carried on with Russia and Japan. "The object of the council is not to direct the details of military operations, but to define the general war policy and the general plans of the Allies, adapting them to the resources and means of which they dispose so as to assure the strongest result possible."

M. Painlevé said that if a single supreme command some day were possible it would have the need of precisely such an inter-allied staff as now would be created by the superior war council. Possibly the superior war council might fulfill its functions so that it would in fact arrive at unity of command. It would be better to have the thing than the name.

LLOYD GEORGE DEFENDS PLAN FOR WAR COUNCIL The fight against Premier Lloyd George's support of an inter-Allied war council came to a head in the House of Commons this afternoon, when the Premier himself took the floor to explain the agreement creating the organization.

He emphasized that the inter-Allied war council had "no executive power." "Final decisions as to strategy and as to the movement of troops will rest with the Governments," he declared. "The Allies' object in the plan was to have a representative central body which should watch the whole operation of the war and coordinate plans and, if necessary, propose new ones."

Lloyd George suggested that the House of Commons decide next Monday to a detailed debate on the whole war council plan. He then read in full the agreement between the three Governments of England, France and Italy creating the war council.

HERTLING BOASTS OF GERMAN UNITY Agitators' Attempts to Divide Nation Have Failed, Chancellor Declares

AMSTERDAM, Nov. 14.—Attempts by political agitators to stir up hostile feeling between northern and southern Germany have been a failure, and all sections are in accord, said Chancellor Hertling, the new German Premier, in his first official utterance on domestic affairs in Germany.

A dispatch from Munich contained the Chancellor's declaration and further quoted him as saying that the military situation is now excellent.

Recent dispatches from Dutch and Swiss sources said that high feeling had been aroused in Bavaria against the reckless squandering of Bavarian soldiers' lives in battle by Prussian officers.

TURKS IN BIG RETREAT FROM BAGDAD FRONT Ottoman Forces Fall Back From 30 to 50 Miles as British Push Advance

LONDON, Nov. 14. Withdrawal on a wholesale scale of Turkish forces opposing the British north of Bagdad was reported in a statement from the Mesopotamian expedition today. "Nearly the whole of the Turkish forces have withdrawn from thirty to fifty miles north of Tehriz," the report asserted.

Tehriz is a small village on the Tigris, ninety-seven miles northwest of Bagdad. It is famous in history as the birthplace of Saladin.

I. W. W. Man Held for Assault John Bookman, thirty-five years old, of 1230 North Mascher street, said to be a local I. W. W. leader, was held under \$500 bail for court today in Central Police Station by Magistrate Watson, on charges of assault and battery.

Bookman, according to Police Commissioner, struck Joseph Pastau, 1913 Bainbridge street, a weaver employed at the Shackamaxon Mills, Allegheny avenue and Dauphin street, as Pastau was leaving the mill. Attorney for the company said that Pastau had been a striker but had returned to work and was assaulted by the I. W. W. man for so doing.

Jobs Offered by Uncle Sam The United States Civil Service Commission announced open competitive examinations during December for the following positions: Assistant shop superintendent and telegraph rate expert (for men only); and radio bookkeeper and accountant, assistant bookkeeper and accountant and auditing clerks, grades 1 and 2 (for men and women).

TEST OF LIBERTY MOTORS PASSED SUCCESSFULLY Delivery of Machine-Made Engines Will Begin in the Near Future

WASHINGTON, Nov. 14.—Machine-made Liberty airplane motors, initiating the quantity production of the machines relied upon to furnish the means for carrying the war to Germany in the air on a decisive scale, will begin to be delivered in the near future. Motors tested out up to this time have been largely produced as individual type units by slow hand processes.

The first deliveries, it is learned, will be comparatively small. The rate of production will speed up every day thereafter, however, and long before spring Liberty motors will be turned out at a rate that will enable the United States to meet its own requirements and also to deliver thousands to certain of the Allied Governments which have requested allotments.

Officers of both services, heretofore skeptical of the possibility of turning out in comparatively short space of time air motors that might bring decisive results in the war, are becoming more and more impressed, signed and constructed under the first design of the army quartermaster corps, have developed greater power and capabilities than any such machine ever built for either war or commercial purposes, said an announcement by the Council of National Defense.

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ATTACKED BY HIGHWAYMEN Victim Had Displayed Roll of Bills in a Saloon Display of a roll of money in a saloon near Gray's Ferry avenue and Wharton street led to an attack early today on Albert Norton, of 1217 South Patton street, by two highwaymen. Norton, it is said, flashed a roll of bills while treating friends in the saloon. On his way home two highwaymen attacked him as he was crossing Gray's Ferry avenue. Norton fought his assailants while he shouted for help.

Police Officer Willbridge heard his cries and caught one of the alleged assailants, who gave his name as Harry Solly, of Wharton and Napa streets. He was held without bail for a further hearing on Sunday by Magistrate Baker at the Twentieth and Federal streets station.

Ex-Magistrate List Dead William H. List, a former Magistrate and tipster of the Orphans' Court, died suddenly at his home, 3186 Hamilton street. Death was due to acute indigestion. Mr. List was born in this city on November 1, 1844. When the Civil War broke out he enlisted in Colonel Day's Blue Reserves. He was a magistrate for fifteen years, having been appointed directly after the abolition of the Board of Aldermen. He was a member of the Northminster Presbyterian Church, past master of Washington Lodge, P. and A. M.; past commander of the Philadelphia Commanders, Knights Templars; Harmony Chapter No. 52, Royal Arch Masons, and General Meade Post, G. A. R.

BRITISH AGAIN STIRRED BY INVASION BUGABOO Bonar Law Assures Commons That Country Will Not Be Caught Asleep

LONDON, Nov. 14. "The war cabinet is considering all possibilities of an invasion," declared Bonar Law, chancellor of the exchequer, in the House of Commons today. His statement was in answer to a specific query apparently induced by several recent reports as to German plans.

More or less circumstantial rumors afloat during recent weeks have carried the story that the Germans were boring a tunnel under the channel to attack England, and had been at the work ever since they reached the Belgian season. Other rumors of projected invasion of England by German troops were revived recently in stories from the British front, that the German general staff had issued English-German conversation books to many of its soldiers.

DEMOCRACY TO TRIUMPH OVER PRUSSIAN IDEALS Even German Victory Would But Delay Result, Says Haverford Professor

That the ultimate triumph of progressive democracy over Prussian autocracy is inevitable even though the Germans attain further and greater victories or even win the present war, was expressed by Dr. R. Kelsey, head of the history department of Haverford College and a close student of the present situation, in one of his informal talks before his history classes today.

"Any one," he said, "who has followed the progress and struggle of democracy during the last few centuries cannot fail to be impressed by the futility to stem it. The worst that can happen is to postpone the ultimate triumph of democracy and be oppressed by Prussianism in the interval. It is this interval which we dread. But sooner or later the whole world will rise up and strike down this autocracy. Napoleon held on to the march of progress in Europe for twenty years, but he could not halt it."

CONDONES POLITICAL SHIFT TRENTON, Nov. 14.—Asserting his belief that the satisfactory performance of duty by a State officer is not dependent on political views, Governor Edge has written a letter to Commissioner Benjamin M. Bobbitt, of the Department of Public Affairs, indicating that in his judgment Mr. Bobbitt should not resign his position merely because he has left the Democratic party to support the Administration.

The Governor's letter was in response to a communication from Mr. Bobbitt expressing his willingness to resign, if the Governor so desired, and also making known that his resignation had been urged by Democrats of Monmouth County on the ground that, having been appointed as a Democrat, he should relinquish his office on change of his political faith.

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