

LISTED MISSING, FIGHTING AT TIME

Private Hofacker, Over Top Fourteen Times, Had Thrilling Career

RESCUED AN OFFICER

Served With Three Organizations After He Lost His Own. Helmet Dented

Private George L. Hofacker, previously reported missing and today listed as having returned to duty, has led a varied and exciting career as a soldier. For he has been "over the top" fourteen times, served with two infantry companies and one battery of field artillery, captured five German prisoners, saved the life of one of his officers and escaped with only a few dents in his "old helmet" as his pet name.

Young Hopkins is one of nineteen soldiers from Philadelphia and vicinity named on today's honor roll. One is reported killed in action, another reported missing and two others reported wounded. Thirteen have been wounded, several of whom had previously been reported missing, while two others, also previously reported missing, are now reported to have rejoined their regiments. The casualty list for the country at large has a total of only 337 names, including fifty-five from Pennsylvania.

In a recent letter to his mother, Mrs. George Hofacker, 2005 North Fourth street, he said: "I have been over the top fourteen times, fought with two infantry companies and one battery of field artillery, without getting a scratch. But my old helmet has several dents in her iron top."

Private Hofacker, at the age of eighteen, enlisted in the old First Regiment, N. G. P., that was in March, 1917. After getting his preliminary training at Camp Hancock, he sailed for France in May.

Reported Missing October 6

On December 1, a Washington telegram notified his mother that he had been missing since October 6.

"We were terribly worried for nearly a month after this message came," said his mother today. "You see, George is a poor correspondent, and we didn't get a letter from him during that time. Finally, on December 22, another telegram came, and a few days later his Christmas card. That certainly made us feel better."

In his last letter, which arrived December 29, Private Hofacker told of his various experiences. In the thick of a battle in the Argonne he was sent to the rear with two comrades who had been wounded. When he returned his whole regiment had advanced and he could not find it. He then joined the 110th Infantry, serving with them for some weeks. On the eve of another drive, he was sent to the rear for rations. When he returned his company had again left him. His position had been occupied by the 104th Field Artillery, and Hofacker became a member of that organization, making his third army assignment.

A lieutenant in Company G, 19th Infantry, owes his life to the young soldier. The officer was gassed in one of the big drives, while under heavy shell and machine-gun fire. Private Hofacker carried the wounded officer to a trench for a distance of one thousand yards, crawling part of the time with the officer on his back. Almost the entire distance covered by the young soldier was under direct machine-gun fire.

SKETCHES OF THE HEROES

Private Frederick Winer, 221 Locust street, who was reported missing on the casualty list three times, and who today is reported as having been recovered from being gassed and has rejoined his regiment to go into Germany with the Mexican border army. He is a member of Company D, 19th Infantry. He was reported on October 20 as having been killed in action. On September 6 and on November 29 as having been wounded. He is reported to have been gassed once and wounded August 16. In his letters home he says that he was gassed once and only once and was absent from his company for a short time.

Private Weber is an old National Guardsman, having enlisted in 1914. He saw service on the Mexican border, when Congress declared war on Germany many went to Camp Hancock for intensive training. Private Weber, who is now in the 19th Infantry, was reported as having been killed in action on September 6 and on November 29 as having been wounded. He is reported to have been gassed once and wounded August 16. In his letters home he says that he was gassed once and only once and was absent from his company for a short time.

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Private Thomas Cullen, twenty-nine years old, was killed in action September 29. The report of the soldier's death was first received by his wife, Mrs. Mary Cullen, 2254 North Hope street, in a Washington telegram on December 23. On November 3 a message arrived from the War Department with the news that Private Cullen was missing on September 29. No other word came until the final message of December 23. In the meantime Mrs. Cullen has continued to receive her regular allotment of her husband's pay.

Private Cullen was a member of Company L, 15th Infantry. He was sent to Camp Meade in May and sailed for France on July 7. The last letter received from him arrived two days before his death and was written September 11.

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Honor Roll for the City and Its Vicinity Today

KILLED IN ACTION
Private THOMAS J. CULLEN, 2254 N. Hope st. (Previously reported missing.)
DIED OF WOUNDS
Sergeant GEORGE GERHARDT, Jr., 608 W. Johnson st., Germantown.
Corporal CHARLES A. MATTHEWS, 24 N. 24th st., Center City.
DIED OF DISEASE
Corporal LANGSTON KING, Chester. (Previously reported wounded.)
WOUNDED SEVERELY
Lieutenant THEODORE BECK, 2013 N. Carlisle st.
Corporal JAMES DRUMGOOL, Jr., 3852 N. Calmar st.
Privates FRANK MATHEWS, 480 Parson st.
FRANK ORVINE, 5109 Aspen st.
HARRY SMITH, 2099 Summer st.
THOMAS V. BOWEN, 943 North Jessup st.
MARGIE A. TIFFE, 1647 S. 54th st.
FRANCIS E. STRICKER, 731 Wolf st.
CHARLES FOLEY, 3603 Mercer st.
JOSEPH ZITOMER, 526 Wharton st. (Previously reported missing.)
WOUNDED, DEGREE UNDETERMINED
Private FREDERICK R. WEBER, 5128 Harlan st.
Private JOHN L. MCENROE, 5021 Swain st. (Previously reported missing.)
WOUNDED SLIGHTLY
Private JOSEPH MARINO, 4832 Lancaster avenue. (Previously reported missing.)
RETURNED TO DUTY
Private GEORGE L. HOFACKER, 942 N. Second st. (Previously reported missing.)
Private SALADY, 315 S. Broad st. (Previously reported missing.)

Private Goldstein enlisted at Atlantic City, June, 1917, and went to a South Carolina camp for training. In June he was transferred to Camp Mills and sailed a few weeks later, arriving in France, July 7. Before enlistment he was a traveling salesman. He is survived by two sisters, Reba and Anna Goldstein, and one brother, all of this city.

Private Seaton R. Morgan, officially reported missing two months ago, has returned to his company, according to the day's casualty list. He is twenty-three years old and formerly resided in Philadelphia. He is now in the 19th Infantry, Company F, Sixth Infantry, and was transferred from the 104th Field Artillery, where he was assigned in April. According to a letter received from him, written on the German frontier, he was gassed and shell shocked slightly and after a short rest at a base hospital was returned to his regiment in perfect health. Prior to enlistment he was employed as a brakeman on the Reading Railway.

EDDYSTONE GUN SUPERIOR

Allies' Best Weapon in Silencing Germans, Says Admiral Plunket

The fourteen-inch American naval gun built at Eddystone, and used on the western front during the closing days of the war, proved superior to any weapons of the Allied armies, the House Naval Committee, at Washington, was told today by Rear Admiral C. P. Plunket, who had charge of the operation of the big rifles.

Five of the guns were in use when the armistice was signed. Two were sent up to silence the long range gun which fired in Paris from the Campagna forest and the others were mounted north of Verdun.

"These guns proved most successful," Admiral Plunket said. "While they were being used the enemy found it impossible to transport supplies or move troops. The gun had a range of 4,900 yards and could be fired from any desired point. Just as soon as we would begin firing, the enemy had to get into holes. All their traffic schedules were broken. As we fired at irregular intervals from morning till night, the Germans often wailed. It is stated that the wrath of Uncle Sam had not been provoked beyond the breaking point."

Snellenburg Employes Have Rally

The first monthly rally of employes of N. Snellenburg & Co. was held last night at the Snellenburg store. Addresses were made by Joseph Snellenburg, Hampton L. Carson, formerly Attorney General of Pennsylvania, and the Rev. Charles H. Dickens, chaplain of the Philadelphia Navy Yard. The employes presented a large banner to the American Red Cross Auxiliary, and elected Lieutenant Commander Frederick Payne honorary commander of the Snellenburg Cadet Corps.

Train Hits Trolley Car

Conductor and Girl Hurt in Chelton Avenue Smash

While crossing the Philadelphia and Reading Railway track at Chelton avenue and Baynton street last night, a Frankford trolley car of the No. 75 line was struck by a train and smashed by a southbound train.

Only a few passengers were in the street car, and it was only partly on the railroad track. The conductor, Bernard Brady, of 217 Roxborough avenue, was hurt in the back and suffered cuts on his face. One of the passengers, Miss Julia Bowen, of 1641 Ridge avenue, was slightly injured by flying glass.

VARES MAY GET MORE STATE JOBS

Senate and House Committees on "Patronage" Will Meet Next Week

HOPE IN HARMONY PLAN

Announcements Likely Soon After Legislature Resumes Sessions January 20

The Senate steering committee and the House slate committee, the two bodies which will dole out the patronage of the Legislature, are scheduled to meet at the Republican State headquarters next week.

No date has been fixed, but the meeting will probably be either Tuesday or Wednesday. Senator William E. Crow, of Uniontown, chairman of the Senate committee, and Representative William McCaig, of Pittsburgh, chairman of the House committee, will issue the call for the meeting.

With Senator Vares as the slate committee did not meet. A coterie of leaders from all parts of the State met with Representative James P. Woodward, the then chairman, and parceled out the jobs.

Vare Men Got Little

Vare men got but little of the legislative patronage, and not one of the men who voted for Edwin R. Cox, the Vares-Brumbaugh candidate for Speaker, was recognized by appointment as chairman of a committee.

With Senator Vares as the Philadelphia representative on the Senate steering committee and five of the six members of the House slate committee from the city the Vares forces have hopes of a fair share of recognition this time.

Legislative employes in the House number 120. These include eight transcribing clerks, ten stenographers, a sergeant-at-arms and seventeen assistants, four official reporters, five expert typewriters, a superintendent and eight pasters and folders, four janitors and nineteen pages.

In the Senate there are ninety-three employes who are appointed similarly to those in the House. In addition certain committees in both branches have secretaries to take care of their work.

The highest paid employes are the chief clerks, who draw down salaries of \$2000 a year. There are two such clerks in the House and two in the Senate. Various salaries are attached to the other jobs.

Paid For Entire Session

Per diem employes get paid for the entire session, receiving pay for every day from the date of the opening until the close.

The general harmony program which is expected to help them in getting a division of the spoils. It is getting the Philadelphia delegation will hold a meeting prior to the gathering of the patronage committees and decide upon just what they will ask for.

While the harmony program is expected to help the Vares forces, it will operate against the up-State units of the organization. When they are barred from the number of people to be carried for is always greater.

Two years ago, when the factions were at each others' throats, the patronage of the House was distributed among a little more than 100 members. In this session there are 184 Republican members of the House all united in their support of the Administration.

To appease the entire group in the distribution of patronage is going to take some diplomacy on the part of those who hand out the leaves and fishes.

The announcement of the legislative place holders will likely be made shortly after the Legislature resumes its sessions Monday night, January 20. Both branches adjourned until that time out of respect to the memory of Colonel Roosevelt.

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PENN CO-EDS DECLARE WAR ON ALLURING FRENCH GIRLS

Young Women of University Call Mass-Meeting to Plan Protection of Soldiers Against Wiles of Mademoiselles Seeking Hearts of Americans

RESOLVED, That we, the co-ed students at the University of Pennsylvania, will fight to the last bit of our strength the influence which is being brought to bear on our boys overseas by French girls, to the complete forgetfulness of ties which those same boys had contracted on this side of the Atlantic.

Such was the text of a document which, posted on the bulletin board of the co-eds at the University, started a campaign seldom equaled in intensity and grimness.

The document, which was unsigned and which at the bottom called a mass-meeting of the co-eds to discuss the serious problem, did not remain long on exhibition. Whether from prudence or fear of consequences, it was almost immediately removed, but the flame it kindled in the minds of many fair Pennsylvania students has spread and grown until it has become a matter of campus-wide importance.

Will Appeal to Pershing

The mass-meeting was held behind rigidly closed doors and momentous decisions were made and plans formulated. Nothing definite can be learned of the plans of the campaigners, who say that they are pledged to absolute secrecy, but it is intimated that a note was drawn up to Will Appeal to Pershing.

Opera Glasses Saved Ship

Philadelphia Woman's Gift to American Navy Reveals U-Boat

A pair of opera glasses given by Mrs. E. B. Mears, 1818 Dr. Laneey place, probably saved an American vessel, and the lives of many American soldiers aboard, and was also the means which led directly to the sinking of a German submarine on September 19 off the coast of France.

The information came to Mrs. Mears yesterday in a letter sent by Chief Electrician W. G. Bush, from the United States naval air station at Brest, France.

"The submarine was sighted," writes the electrician, "while a large convoy of twelve transports carrying 16,500 troops was approaching the shore. I was stationed in the crow's nest of the United States steamship Zealandia on watch at 5 p. m. I raised my glasses—the ones you donated—and sighted a periscope. When the alarm was turned in to the gun crew we had the pleasure of seeing a shot from one of our ships blow the U-boat to atoms, hence this letter of gratitude for the use of your glasses."

DEATH ENDS HEROIC CAREER

Lieutenant Hare, of Lansdale, Killed After Earned Promotion

Lieutenant William E. Hare, of Lansdale, who entered the service as a private and won his way to a commission step by step, was killed in action in France, September 29. Word of his death has just been received by his parents, the Rev. M. E. Hare and Mrs. Hare, of Lansdale. A private telegram from the War Department said he was missing.

Lieutenant Hare left Lansdale in October, 1917, in a contingent of drafted men. His rise in the service was rapid and after he arrived in France he was commissioned a lieutenant, and assigned to Company E, 320th Infantry, Eightieth Division.

In Charge of Salvation Army Hostel

Commandant Elmer Johnson, has been placed in charge of the Salvation Army Service Men's Hostel, Broad street and Fairmount avenue. He has had twenty-five years' experience as a Salvation Army officer, and a quarter century ago was stationed with the No. 1 corps in this city. Mr. Johnson went to Atlantic City, where he opened a Salvation Army hotel in 1917. He was in charge of the Army work in Richmond, Va., for several years, during which period a headquarters building costing \$27,000 was erected.

Big Oats Cargo Shipped

The British steamer Sedgpool has from this port shipped 21,287 bushels of oats, the largest cargo of grain ever loaded here. The Sedgpool was shipped by the Wheat Export Company, and her cargo is intended for the Allied armies.

Soldier Surprises Parents

While his parents were discussing the possibility of his early return, Lieutenant William E. MelHenry, who went to France in April, 1917, hobbled in the front door on a pair of crutches. He is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Joseph A. MelHenry, who live on the Chester Pike, Ridley Park. Lieutenant MelHenry was wounded in both legs by shrapnel at Chateau-Thierry. After a short visit with his father and mother he returned to Camp Merritt, where he is in a hospital.

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The accident occurred while he was playing a practice game with Frederick E. Tompkins, professional instructor at the club. It was rather unusual. The ball used in as hard as wood and as fast as a tennis ball, but the game is not as fast as racquets and accidents are few.

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Jersey Devil in Again

Reported Seen Near Woodbury, Which Is Still "Wet"

The "Jersey Devil" is in again! It appeared again this morning just as dawn was breaking on the roof of the bag-loading plant at Woodbury.

The monster, according to guards near the plant, has grown considerably since last seen here. Some say it looked like a cat with an owl's head. Others assert it was a fox much smaller—not much larger than a mink. Still others declared it had a body like a dachshund, with a head like a parrot.

Those whose views are regarded more seriously say the thing had body like a bat and a head like a weasel.

The original "Jersey Devil" was captured and exhibited some years ago. It is now in Woodbury, where it is still wet, and yesterday was dry day.

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JEWISH WOMEN ASSIST BIG DRIVE

Report of Subscriptions Is Made at Luncheon Meeting

MEN OBTAIN \$303,107

Pledges Represent 1262 Persons, 80 Per Cent Being New Givers

First report of subscriptions received by the woman's division of the Federated Jewish Charities of Philadelphia was made today at a luncheon at noon at the Adelphe Hotel. The report was made by Mrs. Arthur Loeb, chairman of the woman's division, which consists of 700 members. The aim of the campaign is to raise \$750,000 for the Federation of Jewish Charities in Philadelphia.

Already the men interested in the campaign have reported pledges of \$302,107.

The amount was subscribed by 1262 persons, 80 per cent of whom, it was stated, had never given to the Federation before. The leading name was that of Jacob D. Lili, which realized \$34,960. Ellis A. Gimbel's team came next, with \$27,783, and Isaac Gerstley's was a close third, with \$26,224.

Among the contributions above \$500 not previously reported are the following: Samuel Snellenburg, \$750; B. W. Fleisher, \$500; Albert Wolf, \$500; Simon Kolm, \$500; Clarence Wolf, \$500; Edwin Wolf, \$500; Benjamin J. Wasserman, \$500; Isaac Goodman, \$500; Morton B. Hirsh, \$500; Henry Bober & Bros., \$500; Horace Hans, \$500; Arthur Rosenberg, \$500; J. Walter Rosenberg, \$500; Markowitz Brothers, \$500; Jerome H. Loucheim, \$500; Arthur A. Fleisher, \$500; Irving Kohn, \$500; Jacob Brodsky, \$500; Ely K. Selig, \$500; Morris Haber, \$500; Harry H. Hirsh, \$500; David Strauss, \$500; Joseph A. Loucheim, \$500; Benjamin Sidenbach, \$500.

Rodek Brothers, \$500; Edward Stern, \$500; Samuel Magil, \$500; Leo H. Heimrodinger, \$500; Alexander Dannewitz, \$500; Milton J. Stoss, \$500; Sidney Alos, \$500; Andrew Kaay, \$500; Benjamin A. Small, \$500; Beach Brothers, \$500; Abraham Stein, \$500; Benjamin Brodsky, \$500; Martin Uditsky, \$500; Lee Nussbaum, \$500; Rosenbach Company, \$500; William B. Trossman, \$500; Horace Stern, \$500; Isaac Gerstley, \$500; Harry Loeb, \$500; Leon E. Sarstein, \$500; Martin Pearlman, \$500; Samuel Sacks, \$500; Harry Sacks, \$500; I. H. Silverman, \$500; Wolf Klebanoff, \$500; A. M. Ellis, \$500; S. A. Rosenheim, \$500; Clinton O. Mayer, \$500; Alfred Fleisher, \$500; Joseph H. Rubin, \$500; Simon Rose-Tau, \$500; Sol Bucharach, \$500; Frank Newburger, \$500; Eugene M. Stern, \$500; Pannonia Beneficial Association, \$500; Albert Greenfield, \$500; Bernard

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