Love Knocked Out Tough French Armored Division

By DON WHITEHEAD

PARIS (AP)—Even now it is hard to believe that the tender passion called love could knock out a battle-hardened armored division in the midst of war. Yet it happened.

I saw it happen in Paris just 20 years ago when that city was liberated from the Germans in the Second World War.

The willing victim was the French 22nd Armored Division. Two girls captured it without firing a shot.

The division entered Paris a tough, lean outfit. Most of the men had started their march homeward in the desert of North Africa. They had fought with the British against Rommel's Afrika Korps.

They had developed elan and esprit and all that goes into a good fighting outfit. Yet, within 24 hours after the division moved in to Paris, it simply disintegrated. These French-men were never trained to resist women.

Commanders raged. The Americans were flabbergasted. Orders were issued. But what good is an order when there is no one around to listen to it?

Once Paris was liberated, the tank crews simply walked away from their armor to join the women. For a long time it had been la guerre. Now it was l'amour.

IT WAS GREAT FUN

Paris chuckled. Paris laughed. And it was a full week before the lovers could be rounded up to man their tanks and get back to the job of chasing the retreating Germans.

It was all part of the wild, crazy, mixed-up story of the liberation of Paris which reached its climax Aug. 25, 1944.

That was when the French armored division and the U.S. 4th Infantry division moved into Paris. The move was part of a plan agreed upon by the German garrison commander to save the city from becoming a battleground — torn by shells and bombs.

The liberation of Paris had been a certainty from the time Gen Omar N. Bradley turned Gen. George Patton and his tanks loose after the bold breakout from the Normandy beach head in the last days of July.

Paris was in the line of the American advance. Bradley knew that once the city was liberated, the Allies would have to take over the job of feeding some 4,000,000 people. And every ton of food delivered to Paris was a ton less gasoline for his tanks.

As a military objective, Paris was not important. The important job was to destroy Hitler's armies. For this reason, Bradley planned to by-pass the city. He believed if he could keep his tanks rolling, he could push on into Germany and perhaps breach the Siegfried Line without a struggle.

FRANCE WAS PARIS

But while Paris wasn't important to the strategists, it was the true heart of France and the sentimental home of millions around the world. So long as it remained in the grip of the enemy, no one could think of France as being free.

As the Allied columns approached Paris, the war correspondents began to cluster in the little town of Rambouillet, 30 miles west of the city. Our headquarters was the Hotel Grand Veneux, whose courtyard had become the "command post" of Ernest Hemingway. "Papa" Hemingway would stalk from the hotel with a pistol strapped to his waist, carrying an arm-load of maps. Then he would hold conferences with his forces—members of the French underground.

Correspondents were not supposed to carry weapons. But Hemingway paid no attention to such nonsense.

From his command post, Hemingway would dispatch men to reconnoiter the routes to Paris and report to him on the disposition of the enemy. I don't know whether the information his scouts gathered was of any use to our intelligence, but Hemingway was having himself a fine time.

DRIVE INTO CITY

Finally, at the Gate of Orleans, the last pocket of resistance was knocked out and the 2nd Armoured column drove into Paris.

Men, women and children poured into the streets to acream a welcome. Tears coursed down their cheeks. They tossed flowers at the vehicles and pressed bottles of wine and brandy into our hands. Tanks rumbled forward with garlands of flowers hanging from them. Thousands upon thousands of people formed a lane barely wide enough for the armor to edge through.

All the emotions pent up during the long Nazi occupation exploded in one great outburst. Paris was free!

ON THE AIR

TUESDAY PROGRAMS

CFCY TV

1:30 p.m.—Musicale
1:58 p.m.—Sign On
2:00 p.m.—R.C.M.P.
2:31 p.m.—Vacation Time
3:30 p.m.—Space, The New Ocean
4:00 p.m.—TBA
4:15 p.m.—Calendar '64
4:31 p.m.—Gazette
4:01 p.m.—CFCY-TV News
4:15 p.m.—Challenge Golf
5:00 p.m.—My Favourite Martian
5:30 p.m.—Hennessey
6:00 p.m.—Patty Duke
6:30 p.m.—Ben Casey
7:30 p.m.—Centennial Special
8:30 p.m.—The Nature of Things
9:00 p.m.—CBC TV News
9:10 p.m.—Local Weather
9:14 a.m.—Sign Off

CKCW TV

3:45 p.m.—Station Sign On
—News, Weather, Sports
4:00 p.m.—R.C.M.P.
4:30 p.m.—Vacation Time
5:30 p.m.—Space, the New Ocean
6:00 p.m.—Buckskin
6:30 p.m.—Television News
6:45 p.m.—Weather
6:50 p.m.—Sports
7:00 p.m.—Record
7:15 p.m.—Checkmate
7:30 p.m.—To Tell the Truth
8:00 p.m.—Patty Duke
8:30 p.m.—Ben Casey
9:30 p.m.—The Planemakers
10:30 p.m.—CBC TV News
10:45 a.m.—Viewpoint
11:00 a.m.—Lionel Network News
11:25 a.m.—Station Sign Off

CFCY RADIO

TUESDAY

7:00—Sign On
7:30—News & Weather
7:35—Country & Western Roundup
7:55—News & Weather
8:00—Hebrew Christian Hour
8:30—Country & Western Roundup
9:00—News & Weather
9:35—Farm Report
9:41—Country & Western Roundup
10:00—News
10:01—Weather
10:16—Country & Western Roundup
10:45—Weather
10:50—Atlantic News
11:02—Thought For Today
11:00—News & Voice Reports—CBC
11:10—Preview Commentary—CBC
11:15—Notes & Music
11:27—Matinee Musical Charades
11:30—Notes and Music
11:55—What's The Song Contest
12:00—News and Weather
12:05—Notes & Music
1:00—News and Weather
1:05—Notes and Music
1:32—Matinee Musical Charades
1:30—Notes and Music
1:45—Bulletin Board
2:00—Notes and Music
2:30—Weather
2:40—Town and Country Time
2:50—News & Weather
2:45—P.E.I. Road Report
3:00—Town and Country Time
3:05—News, Weather & N.S. Road Report
3:15—Town and Country Time
3:30—Shirley Harmer—CBC
3:45—Cafe Variety
4:00—News & Weather
4:05—Tops In Country and Pops
4:15—Matinee Musical Charades
4:30—Tops In Country and Pops
4:50—News & Weather
5:00—Trans-Canada Matinee—CBC
5:30—Tops in Country and Pops
5:55—News & Weather
6:00—Canadian Roundup—CBC
6:30—Tops in Country and Pops
6:55—The Outports
7:00—News & Weather
7:05—Matinee Musical Charades
7:30—The Outports
8:00—Marine Weather
8:20—The Outports
8:30—News & Weather
8:35—On Parliament Hill—CBC
9:00—Sports Parade
9:30—Tonight's Music
10:00—Back to the Bible
10:30—News & Weather
10:45—Program Schedule
10:46—Time Guide Program
11:00—Tonight's Music
11:30—Citizen's Forum—CBC
12:00—Talent Festival—CBC
12:30—CBC National News
12:40—Reserved For Music CBC
12:50—News & Regional Weather
1:00—Starlight Serenade
1:30—News & Maritime Weather
1:45—Starlight Serenade
2:00—News,Regional Weather & Sports Scores
2:15—Sign Off

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2:00—The Gerry Fogarty Show Part 1
2:30—CBC News & Inland Weather
2:40—Maritime Sportscast
2:45—The Gerry Fogarty Show Part 2
3:00—Max Ferguson Show
3:30—CBC News and Direct Reports
3:40—Preview Commentary
3:46—A M Chronicle
4:00—Young At Heart
4:30—University of The Air
5:00—CBC News
5:05—Shirley Brett
5:30—For Consumers
5:45—Record Album
6:00—The Archers
6:15—Devitt Drops
6:30—Jamboree Junction
7:00—Tennessee Ernie Ford
7:30—Maritime Farm B'cast
7:45—CBC News & Weather
8:00—Shirley Harmer Show
8:30—The Open Road Show
9:00—O. Time Signal
9:01—The Open Road Show
2:45—John Drainie Tells a Story
3:00—CBC News
3:03—Trans Canada Matinee
3:30—Trans-Canada Matinee
4:00—CBC News
4:03—Cdn Roundup
4:10—Music in the Air
4:15—Music in the Air
4:30—Tempo
5:00—Mar Fish B'cast
5:20—Tempo, CBC Notebook
6:00—CBC News & Weather
6:15—On Parliament Hill
6:20—Today's Editorial
6:25—Inland Weather
6:30—Music In The Evening
7:30—Dusk
8:00—Assignment
8:30—Winnipeg Pops
9:00—Fourth Estate
9:30—Choirs In Concert
10:00—CBC Nat. News on Parliament Hill & Speaking Personally
10:30—Music Scene Montreal
11:00—Action Theatre
11:30—Nightspot
12:00—CBC News
12:03—Sports Scores and Marine & Inland Weather
12:15—Music In The Night

Separatist Comments On Resignations

MONTREAL (CP) — Pierre Bourgault, president of Le Rassemblement pour l'Independence Nationale, warned Saturday that "those who play the game of our adversaries will grievously regret it."

The chief of Quebec's leading separatist organization was commenting in a statement on the resignation Friday of seven officials from the organization.

The seven, including three regional presidents, charged that Le Rassemblement was heading toward an "irreversible policy of revolution," but did not explain what it means or what would become of it.

Mr. Bourgault said those who leave the organization "should remember that we will always be in their path."

He said "their pettiness and egotism won't hurt the party. . . . Those who are found guilty of spitting the forces for independence will be severely judged by the Quebec nation."

Regional presidents who resigned were Dr. Rene Jutras, of Montreal's Bois-Francs region; Jean Garon, Quebec City, and Marc-Andre Bedard, Chicoutimi. The others were vice-presidents and deputy leaders of regional branches.

The group's name stands for Assembly for National Independence.

RCMP 'Agent' Says He Spied On Coldwell

BARRIE, Ont. (CP)—Calvin Macdonald, who claims he worked as an undercover agent for the RCMP for 10½ years, said here he spied on M. J. Coldwell, former federal CCF leader, in 1960.

In the second of his cross-country speeches, Mr. Macdonald said in a street - corner speech that Ernest Corrigan, a corporal in the RCMP's "A" squadron of the security investigations branch, ordered him to collect facts for a dossier on Mr. Coldwell.

Mr. Macdonald says he is making his cross-country tour to attempt to force the RCMP to acknowledge that he became a Communist party member on their behalf and acted as an undercover agent.

He says he is listed by the department of veterans affairs as a Communist and is unable to find a job because of this. His cause is being championed by David Cowlishaw of Vancouver, organizer of a group called Underdog. Mr. Cowlishaw threw a milk container of animal blood on the floor of the House of Commons Monday to gain publicity for Mr. Macdonald's cause.

Mr. Macdonald said here he met Mr. Coldwell at social affairs at the Russian embassy. He said he saw him there at least three times after he Macdonald was contacted by the RCMP.

"I turned in a report on each occasion on Mr. Coldwell's remarks and on what known Communists had spoken to him," Mr. Macdonald said.

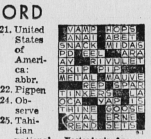
He added that Mr. Coldwell was most certainly not a Communist.

RESIST HOOLIGANISM

LAGOS (AP) — In a crackdown on hooliganism, Nigerian police arrested 498 persons in a two-week drive in the federal capital here. Police said they gained 188 convictions on varying charges, 69 persons were acquitted and the cases of the remainder are pending.

RIPLEY'S BELIEVE IT OR NOT

DAILY CROSSWORD



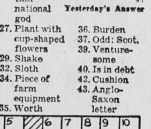
ACROSS

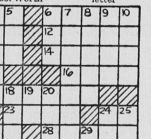
1. Tree
6. Exclamation
11. Marshal
12. Make amends for
13. Trap
14. Walking sticks
15. Melody
16. Pause
17. Cattle pens: West. U.S.
21. Employ
23. Step
24. Thin and ——
26. —— vote
28. Speak
30. Affirmative vote
31. Close to
33. An old car
34. Accepted as true
36. Rich earth
38. Large pulpit
41. A warship's lowest deck
43. Arm joint
44. Gladiator's theater
45. Fine, net-like fabric
46. Ventured
47. Pays attention

DOWN

1. A church service: R. C. Ch.
2. Italian river
3. One of Santa's reindeer
4. Slowly: mus.
5. Organ of sight
6. Frontiersman's shoe
7. A small star
8. Sharpens
9. Once: Scot.
10. Compass point
18. Spiked wheel on a spur
19. International language
20. Sky-blue
21. United States of America: abbr.
22. Pigpen
24. Observe
25. Tahitian national god
27. Plant with cup-shaped flowers
29. Shake
32. Sloth
34. Piece of farm equipment
35. Worth
36. Burden
37. Odd: Scot.
39. Venturesome
40. In in debt
42. Cushion
43. Anglo-Saxon letter

Yesterday's Answer





DAILY CRYPTOQUOTE — Here's how to work it:

A X Y D L B A A X R
is L O N G F E L L O W

One letter simply stands for another. In this sample A is used for the three L's, X for the two O's, etc. Single letters, apostrophies, the length and formation of the words are all hints. Each day the code letters are different.

A Cryptogram Quotation

RFD KNDBR BER TJ JBZRF ZY XFDO QBO PDEZPDY FD ZY OTR KTP.—FTIQDY

Yesterday's Cryptoquote: A FACT, IN SCIENCE, IS NOT A MERE FACT, BUT AN INSTANCE.—BERTRAND RUSSELL

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CONTRACT BRIDGE

By B. JAY BECKER

North dealer.
Both sides vulnerable.

NORTH
♠ A K Q 7 6 5
♥ 9
♦ 5
♣ A 8 5 4 3

WEST
♠ J 10 9 8 3
♥ A Q 3
♦ J 6
♣ 10 7 2

EAST
♠ 4 2
♥ 5
♦ Q 9 8 7 4
♣ K Q J 9 6

SOUTH
♠ —
♥ K J 10 8 7 6 4 2
♦ A K 10 3 2
♣ —

The bidding:

North	East	South	West
4♠	Pass	5♥	Dble.

The bidding:

Opening lead—ace of hearts.

When a reader sends me a hand, it is sometimes hard to tell whether the deal actually happened the way it is told, or whether the reader embellished the story a little in order to make the hand more interesting, or else to make himself out as a hero.

However, the exact facts are not terribly important if the hand itself is of interest, so here's a good story — whether or not you choose to believe it.

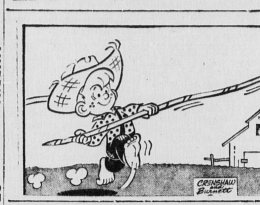
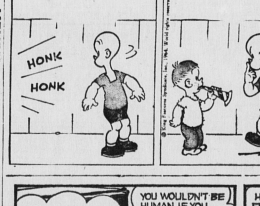
It seems that South got in five hearts doubled on the bidding shown. Undoubtedly West doubled in an effort to chase North back into spades, but North didn't go for this and wisely elected to pass. West led the ace of hearts.

This turned out to be an exceptionally good lead. If West had led a spade, a diamond or a club, South would not have had the slightest trouble making five hearts doubled. He would have lost only two trump tricks in such case.

Declarer had the presence of mind to play the four on the ace, a play which eventually turned out to be highly important. West shifted to the jack of diamonds at trick two, again choosing the best line of defense.

South took the jack with the ace and led the king of hearts. West realized what might happen to him if he followed low, so he dropped the queen on the king in order to try to avoid being thrown into the lead.

When East showed out on the heart, it was not really difficult for declarer to interpret West's unusual trump play. He therefore cashed the king of diamonds, West following suit, and then exited with the deuce of hearts!

West had to win the trick with the three and was forced to return a spade or a club into dummy. This permitted South to dispose of his diamond loser, and thus make five hearts doubled.

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