# HONOR HEROES MEMORIAL DAY

## Observance Celebration Is Arranged Throughout City for Thursday

## LAUNCH FLOWER SHIP

### *How to Fly Flag on Memorial Day*

For the guidance of those who wish to follow proper etiquette in the display of the national colors on Memorial Day the following rules are set forth:

The flag should fly at half-staff from sunrise to noon and at full staff from noon to sunset.

In placing the flag at half-staff it should first be raised to the top of the staff and then lowered to position. Preliminary to lowering it from half-staff the flag should first be raised to the top.

Memorial Day—Thursday—will be observed throughout the land, not only as a tribute to the memory of men who have fallen in the service of the Union, but also, in compliance with a proclamation by the President, as a day of "public humiliation, prayer and fasting" by Americans everywhere.

Likewise the Feast of Corpus Christi will be celebrated on the same day in all Catholic churches in this and other countries.

Here and elsewhere in America and in France, particularly at Orleans, her birthplace, there will be ceremonies in commemoration of Joan of Arc, the maid of immortal fame, who saved France her independence.

Governor Brumbaugh also has issued a proclamation calling for observance of the day, requesting that the period between 12 o'clock noon and 12:05 p. m. be observed as "minutes for memory."

**Few G. A. R. Men Left**

In Philadelphia the thinning ranks of the Civil War veterans will serve to increase the reverence for those who remain to honor their comrades who have gone on into the Great Beyond. Only 2000 are left here to participate in Thursday's ceremonies. In all the State only 12,000 have survived for another Memorial Day, 1433 having died in Pennsylvania since this time last year.

Many of those left behind are too feeble to take an active part in the day's activities and instead of parading on foot to their shrines most of them will go in automobiles.

Assembling at Broad and Arch streets at 9 o'clock, several hundred members of the National Association of Naval Veterans, in charge of Commander William G. McEwan, will proceed in automobiles to the Vine street pier, where, assisted by the Spanish War veterans and others, they will strew flowers on the water and then send out to sea a flower ship in memory of their dead comrades.

**Ceremonies at Poinsett Grave**

The same navy yard detail will participate in ceremonies in Hillside Cemetery, Montgomery County, over the grave of George Poinsett, a seaman of the U. S. battleship Florida, killed in action when American bluejackets and marines captured Vera Cruz, Mexico, April 21, 1914. Three volleys will be fired over the grave, which is marked by a handsome monument erected last year by the officers and men of the Florida.

After setting free their flower ship at the foot of Vine street, the naval veterans will proceed to the Central Y. M. C. A., where they will join members of Post No. 1, Grand Army, in ceremonies in the auditorium there. There will be several speakers, among them veterans of the present war recently returned from the front bearing the scars of battle. Colonel John Gribbel will be the principal orator there.

Other posts of the G. A. R. will hold special services in churches convenient to their members. Judge Norris S. Barratt, of Common Pleas Court No. 2, will address veterans of Post No. 2; the Rev. Victor Lukens, Post No. 46, and the Rev. Walter B. Greenway, Post No. 19. The last-named post will hold its services in Odd Fellows' Cemetery and St. Peter's Cemetery will be the scene of services conducted by Post No. 46.

Exercises of a patriotic nature will be held in the Episcopal Church of St. Luke and the Epiphany at 4 o'clock, under the auspices of the Veteran Guard, Third Regiment, N. G. P. The veterans, in full uniform, will march from their headquarters, 1328 Walnut street, to the church, accompanied by their band and fifty officers representing the Governor's and brigade staffs.

Several hundred members of the Patriotic Order Sons of America, fifty sailors from the navy yard, Boy Scouts and members of various church organizations will take part in a celebration at Dotterer Memorial Baptist Church, where a flag raising will be the feature, preceded by a parade of the participants. Addresses will be made by the Rev. T. Theophilus Lake, pastor, and G. Allen Smith, Hugh Black and George Shinehouse.

Governor Brumbaugh and his staff, the Mayor and other city officials and officers of the army and navy have been invited to attend a celebration in Fairmount Park Thursday afternoon.

Independence Square, as usual, will be the scene of Memorial Day exercises. Naval veterans and detachments from warships at the navy yard will participate. A volley will be fired over the statue of Commander John Barry, known as the "Father of the American Navy," who was captain of the "first Continental Congress warship." Concluding their exercises in the square, the veterans will proceed to old St. Mary's Graveyard, Fourth and Locust streets, and place a wreath upon Commander Barry's grave.

In many churches special prayer services will be held at various hours on Thursday, in line with President Wilson's proclamation. These services will be features of Memorial Day in Arkansas, Florida, Georgia, Mississippi, North and South Carolina and Texas, where the day is not generally observed as a day for paying tribute to the military dead of the nation.

Exercises in memory of Joan of Arc will be conducted at the foot of the statue to the Maid of Orleans on the Parkway avenue bridge, on a more elaborate scale this year than ever before. Colonel Francis Doyle is directing arrangements for the affair. French societies throughout the country also will pay tribute to the great heroine of France.

Not in Philadelphia only one feature of Memorial Day's observance that will be a departure from the more serious side of the occasion has been announced. The Irish National Games at Point Breeze Park. The games will be preceded by memorial exercises at 2 o'clock, when James D. Phelan, United States Senator from California, will deliver the address. Prof. Frank J. Crowley will preside. Commodore John Barry, father of the navy, Joseph McLaughlin, president. Pupils of the Anderson School will sing the "Star Spangled Banner." Another musical feature will be a military spectacular drill.

The second annual athletic carnival of the Ancient Order of Hibernians will be held in the Belmont Boulevard at Belmont Avenue, beginning at 3:30 o'clock. There will be three motor-paced free-for-all events, three motor-paced handicaps, three motor-paced handicaps, three motor-paced handicaps