

YOUTHFUL RIDERS THRILL AT SHOW

Letter Carrying on Ponies Tests Alertness and Horsemanship at Devon

RAIN HITS ATTENDANCE

A slim crowd, shivering in occasional drizzles of rain at the Devon Horse Show this morning watched an exhibition of fine riding and remarkable intelligence in a handy pony event by children.

The youngsters were required to mount in the oval take a letter from the postmaster, jump a post mortem, open and close a gate without dismounting, put the letter in a mail box, negotiate two more jumps and return to the starting place.

The children proved as adept as their elders in the difficult feat of opening the gate, and not a single spill marked the numerous jumps.

The show was won by William A. Casson, riding Caroline, already a ribbon winner at the show. Miss Mary Clothier, riding Princess, was second. Young Casson was the champion.

The afternoon program contains the pony race championship, a champion class for children's jumping contests and competition for the Sunnysbrook challenge trophy. Bellevue-Stratford Belle-fair and Riddle Cups.

The first championship class of the morning was scheduled for 11:15 o'clock, open to the first and second place winners of previous stallion classes. A cup was presented in this event by Mrs. George Fales Baker.

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FURS ARE IN EVIDENCE AT DEVON HORSE SHOW

The closing of the Devon Horse Show this evening will bring to an end one of the most successful affairs of its kind held in years.

Despite the hovering clouds and threatening weather, the grounds were thronged with people again today. Owing to the chilling winds heavy topcoats and a variegated color scarf. Her gray sailor hat was most becoming.

Mrs. John Barnes Townsend was among the earlier arrivals. She looked well in a suit of gray. Her hat was a variegated color scarf. Her gray sailor hat was most becoming.

Mrs. Henry Pepper Vaux was attractively attired in a white knitted woolen sweater and a white felt hat with a bow of light blue tulle at the left side.

Mrs. Edward Schmidt's costume of white serge, with a large collar, was most becoming; she wore a large red hat trimmed with red sprays of currants.

City Pays Solemn Tribute to Heroes

where memorial services were held. Addresses were made in the auditorium there by Post Commander Joseph H. Condon, John A. Wiedersheim, and other members of the American Legion.

Post No. 2, the largest G. A. R. organization in this city, conducted its annual memorial service this afternoon in its hall, Twelfth street above Wallace.

Impressive ceremonies conducted by the Army and Navy Union, and the George Washington on Independence Square. After a short address by Councilman William W. Roper, a detail from the Legion's Infantry Band fired a salute over the statue of the great American patriot and statesman.

Combined garrisons of the Philadelphia committee of the Army and Navy Union, marched from Broad and Cherry streets to Independence Hall, where the services were held.

Celebration at Bandstand A unique program was conducted by General J. F. Reynolds Post, No. 4, G. A. R., and General Reynolds Camp, No. 4, Sons of Veterans, at the municipal bandstand, Fifteenth and Arch streets. Members of the camp and affiliated organizations left Broad and Federal streets and proceeded down Broad to G. A. R. headquarters, where the combined posts were received.

The procession then marched to the bandstand. Following the exercises a short parade south on Broad street to Pine was held.

Assisting in the exercises were General Liscum Post, Veterans of Foreign Wars, Boy Scouts, General Reynolds Ladies' Sons of Veterans, Auxiliary and St. Monica's Cadets. The oration was delivered by W. B. McNulty, State secretary of Sons of Veterans.

This afternoon American legionnaires and members of the Veterans Foreign Wars paraded from Twenty-fourth and Federal streets to the playground at Twenty-sixth and Morris streets, where memorial services and a flag-raising were held. School children of the Thirty-sixth and Forty-eighth wards and various fraternal organizations took part in this demonstration.

This city's patriotic spirit is in religious services today. Among them a memorial service in St. George's Protestant Episcopal Church, Indiana avenue and the Rev. Charles H. Smith's services at 11 o'clock were followed by the dedication of a flag pole and a flag-raising in honor of World War veterans.

The annual memorial mass was held at 8 o'clock this morning in the Church of the Immaculate Conception, Sullivan and Price streets, Germantown. The sermon was preached by the Rev. Dr. Xieran P. Morgan, C. M. of St. Vincent's Seminary.

A Hospital Memorial Gift The Emergency Aid of Frankford presented the furnishings for a six-bed ward in the Frankford Hospital in memory of the soldiers and sailors of the late war. The service took place this afternoon in the hospital.

A solemn mass of requiem in the Church of St. John the Evangelist at 9 o'clock this morning was held for deceased members of the Society of St. Vincent de Paul, the Rev. Charles H. Smith, of the faculty of St. Charles Seminary, Overbrook, preached.

George H. Krebs, of the Spanish War Veterans, was married in West Philadelphia yesterday afternoon. Those who took part were the American Legion, the Army and Navy Union, the G. A. R., and the W. Mothers. At the exercises in Fernwood Cemetery, Colonel Thomas

Meahan, of the American Legion, was master of ceremonies. Winfield Scott Post, No. 114, G. A. R., will also exercise this evening at No. 2601 Ridge avenue, at which addresses will be made by the Rev. T. A. Aher Hess and the Rev. Russell Payer. An interesting feature will be the rone ceremony in which school children will place roses on the chairs of departed comrades.

One of the biggest parades of the day is held in Philadelphia, starting from Fifty-second and Race streets and proceeding to Fernwood Cemetery. In the line were G. A. R. Veterans, members of the United Spanish War Veterans, American Legion and patriotic societies.

There was a big parade in Germantown by Henry H. Houston Post, No. 3, starting from post headquarters, No. 157 West Chelton avenue, at P. M.

Busy Day in Frankford Frankford is having a busy Memorial Day. All organizations, following visits to the cemeteries in the morning, united for a parade in the afternoon, starting from Frankford avenue and Unity street at 2 o'clock, and marching through the streets of the section.

Patricia Burtin was chief marshal and veterans of all wars were in line. Fox Chase held a parade at 9 A. M., followed by exercises in Lawnview Cemetery. Gearty Post, No. 315, headed the line, which included veterans of all wars as well as school children and patriotic societies.

Today is the twenty-sixth anniversary of the death of the late General for the Aged, 7023 Rising Sun avenue, and was observed with appropriate exercises this afternoon. Addresses were made by Representative James Dunn, Albert Kniser and the Rev. William Appel, of Bethlehem.

The Ancient Order of Hibernians held its fifty-fifth annual field day this afternoon in the grounds of the Philadelphia Rifle Club, Eighth street and Tablor road.

The program of games included a championship Irish hurling contest. There also were running, jumping and weight-throwing contests. Memorial exercises will be held in the evening with addresses by prominent men.

Rev. John J. Distler, S. J., including Germantown and Chestnut Hill, left at 7:30 o'clock this morning on a special train from Chelton Avenue Station for alley Forge.

The Scouts are holding games and drills and heard a patriotic lecture. Carrying a huge bouquet of flowers, ten-year-old George McGrillis, accompanied by his mother, made his debut in the city's graveyards.

The young chap made his first visit to the graves of his father and mother, although he is not related to Polunetz, his keen interest in the tales told about the American patriot have caused him to make a pilgrimage every year.

Rev. John J. Distler, S. J., held an ambition to go to Mexico and "carry a gun," but owing to his lessons at the Jesuit School, Seventeenth and Stiles streets, where he is a pupil in the fourth grade, he has not found time to "get away."

The youngster has not missed one Memorial Day service at the sailor's grave in seven years. He is with his mother and father, Mr. and Mrs. William J. McGrillis, at 1712 Francis street.

LEGION REMEMBERS ITS DEAD COMRADES

Today the 7818 members of the American Legion in Philadelphia County, together with the same organizations throughout the country, turned their thoughts to those of their comrades who have made the great sacrifice and met in death.

Legionnaires are urged to do their honor and to perpetuate their graves and their memory. Addresses were made at the schools and addresses to the school children and yesterday with visits to hundreds of graves here which were decorated with flags and flowers.

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TRIBUTE PAID TO PHILADELPHIA'S SAILOR DEAD

A funeral service was held for the late sailor, who died in the wreck of the ship, at the residence of his family.

The service was held at the residence of his family, where a large number of friends and relatives were present.

The late sailor was a member of the American Legion and was highly respected in his community.

His death was a great loss to his family and to the community.

The funeral was held in a large hall, where many people gathered to pay their last respects.

The service was conducted with dignity and solemnity.

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FLOAT FLORAL SHIP TO HONOR SAILORS

Miniature Craft in Delaware Is Silent Tribute to Those Who Gave Lives

NAVAL OFFICERS SPEAKERS

A floral battleship, made of wild flowers and poppies, was set afloat in the Delaware River from Vine street pier today in honor of the sailor dead.

The little flower ship, four feet in length, was escorted through the central section by naval veterans and by Spanish-American and World War veterans.

Thirteen boys and girls in white sailor costumes marched on either side of the float, while forward and to the rear of them were music and marching men.

The parade began at Broad and Arch streets and proceeded to Spruce street, to Chestnut, to Fifth, to Market, to Delaware avenue, to the Vine street pier.

In the reviewing stand before the float were Captain Louis McCoy Nulton, commander of the Navy Yard; Chaplain Charles H. Dickens, U. S. N.; Major General Littleton W. T. Young Post, No. 2; Bowser Post, No. 38; Messinger Post, No. 76; Tilghman Camp, M. J. Glendon Post, No. 298; Spanish-American War Veterans, and the Thomas H. Keith Marine Post, No. 189; the State Encircles Post, No. 142; and the Gearty Post, No. 315, of the American Legion.

The children who marched beside the float were Romain Buehler, Eleanor Buehler, Thomas Broadbelt, Estelle Lau, Elva Lau, Arthur Lon, Edwin Buehler, Roland Evans, Raymond Roberts, William Christie, William Roberts, Warren Buehler, and Howard Parker.

Among the posts and camps in the parade were the McKinley Post, No. 1; Young Post, No. 2; Bowser Post, No. 38; Messinger Post, No. 76; Tilghman Camp, M. J. Glendon Post, No. 298; Spanish-American War Veterans, and the Thomas H. Keith Marine Post, No. 189; the State Encircles Post, No. 142; and the Gearty Post, No. 315, of the American Legion.

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KILLED AS GALE WRECKS AIRPLANE

Board of Inquiry Handicapped by Fact That No One Survived

WORST AIR DISASTER IN U. S.

Washington, May 30.—Army officers are preparing to investigate the crash during a wild gale Saturday night near Indian Head, Md., of a military airplane in which seven men—the army officers and two civilians—met death.

As every occupant of the machine was killed the Board of Inquiry must depend largely on distant eye-witnesses, and some of them are doubtful that the exact cause of the disaster could ever be developed.

The machine—a big Curtiss-Eagle model—was torn and twisted almost beyond recognition. Army officials who learned of the accident yesterday said it was the worst airplane disaster in American history.

List of the Dead The dead are: Lieutenant Colonel Archie Miller, Air Service, General Staff College, Washington, the most prominent men in the aviation branch of the army.

Maurice Connolly, formerly a member of Congress from Iowa, major in the Air Service during the war, and at the time of the accident a manager of the Curtiss Airplane Company.

A. G. Batchelder, organizer and chairman of the Executive Board of American Automobile Association, and former editor of Motor, Washington.

Second Lieutenant Stanley M. Ames, of Bolling Field, Washington, pilot of the plane.

Second Lieutenant Cleveland W. McDermott, of Langley Field, Va.

Second Lieutenant John M. Pennewell, of Langley Field, Va.

Sergeant Richard Blumenkrantz, a mechanic in the Army Air Service at Bolling Field.

Driven Seven Feet Into Earth The plane had been dived to its ambulance equipment and was making a return flight from Langley Field, Va., to Washington when it encountered a severe electrical storm accompanied by winds estimated to be blowing at a hundred miles velocity.

Eye-witnesses said the plane, unable to make headway in the face of the wind, descended rapidly in an attempt to make a landing, but after dropping to within about 100 feet of the ground approached a clump of trees and swayed upward. The trees were cleared but as the plane came to an open field nearby it was seen to quiver, turn over and dive vertically, burying its nose seven feet in the ground.

Those who reached the wreck first found all seven men dead. The bodies were closely grouped together, some badly mutilated by the engine, which had been torn from its bed and thrown backward, cutting the men down like scythes as it plowed through the row passenger compartment of the plane. A watch had stopped at 6:25 o'clock, showing the exact time of the tragedy.

Other Fliers More Fortunate Other machines returning from the Langley field maneuvers were caught in the same storm that sent the big ambulance plane down and several fliers narrowly escaped death. One of these was Brigadier General William Mitchell, assistant chief of the Army Air Service, who finally bested the elements, and escaped the storm area by going miles out of his course before landing at Bolling Field.

Representative Walsh, of Massachusetts, and Representative Campbell, of Kansas, and Guy De Lavergne, French aviation attaché, were passengers on the ill-fated ambulance plane on its trip out, which was made along the Potomac.

Wearing by the flight, which was for the purpose of witnessing the review of the army air units, the six planes at Langley Field, the two Congressmen and the French officer decided to return from Norfolk by boat, and thus barely missed death.



A floral ship was launched in the Delaware River this morning in memory of the city's heroes of the sea. Above sailors from the Philadelphia Navy Yard are shown marching to Vine street pier, where exercises were held. Below the floral ship is shown, guarded by children of Naval Camp No. 1, Spanish-American War Veterans, who acted as its escort.

2 Dead, 17 Hurt in P. R. R. Crash

Continued From Page One running on the west-bound track, so as to leave the other track clear for excursion trains, which had the right of way. This is supposed to have been getting under way when the crash occurred. The train was on the single-track line, which had the right of way.

Single Track Used All trains pass through Burlington on a single track. The Pennsylvania line runs through the town without gates or guard rails, down the middle of Broad street, the town's principal thoroughfare, and there is local ordinance forbidding trains to go through the town at more than six miles an hour. It is said that this ordinance often is ignored.

The local train had drawn up at Burlington station, having stopped at Edgewater Park a few minutes before, and most of the passengers remaining on the train. The train was on the single-track line, which had the right of way.

L. F. Fox, of Camden, the conductor of the local train, had signaled to his engineer to start, and the train was making its way down Broad street. The train was on the single-track line, which had the right of way.

According to witnesses, and it is said, according to the admission of Cook, the engineer of the express, the signal was set against him at the crossover. The switch itself must have been locked against the train by the automatic interlocking device.

He set his brakes hard, a fact borne out by eye-witnesses who saw the brakelocks flash red as the brakes bit into the wheels. The heavy train, made up of eleven steel coaches, slackened speed, but did not stop. The momentum was too great to be overcome in the short distance of more than about 100 feet, between the crossover switch and the station platform. It is estimated that the distance between the rear car of the local and the switch was not more than fifty feet.

Engineer Stuck to Post Cook and his fireman, Charles Green, stuck to their posts. The heavy engine of the express tore into the old wooden car of the local, smashing it. The rear car, driven with terrific force, rammed the car ahead and tore and splintered it in turn. The heavy express locomotive struck up the wrecked car and plowed beneath it.

The crash was