

FLIGHT PREVENTED BY WIND AND RAIN

Alexandria Trip Postponed Until This Afternoon.

ENGINE AGAIN IN CONDITION

All Preparations Had Been Made for Speed Test, but Weather Was Given Over to Squalls—Crowd Smaller Than Day Before, and High Dignitaries Were Few—Balloon Markers.

Orville Wright, Lieut. Foulous, and the biplane were all ready to make the official speed flight to Alexandria and back yesterday afternoon, but a summer storm played rings around the parade ground at Fort Myer. The attempt was called off finally, when the deepening shadows told the story of the approach of night.

The crowd was much smaller than that of Wednesday. Not more than 8,000 persons lined the field. President Taft was not there. Neither was Vice President Sherman. The list of high dignitaries was very brief.

But for a that and a that, the speed test would have been made, or tried, if the weather had not been so unreasonably. The flyer was brought out of the shed at 6:30 o'clock and started up toward the monorail. When it had been rolled about 100 feet a spattering of rain came down out of a collection of slate-colored clouds. The machine hesitated a moment and then made back to the shed, while the crowd sought what shelter was available.

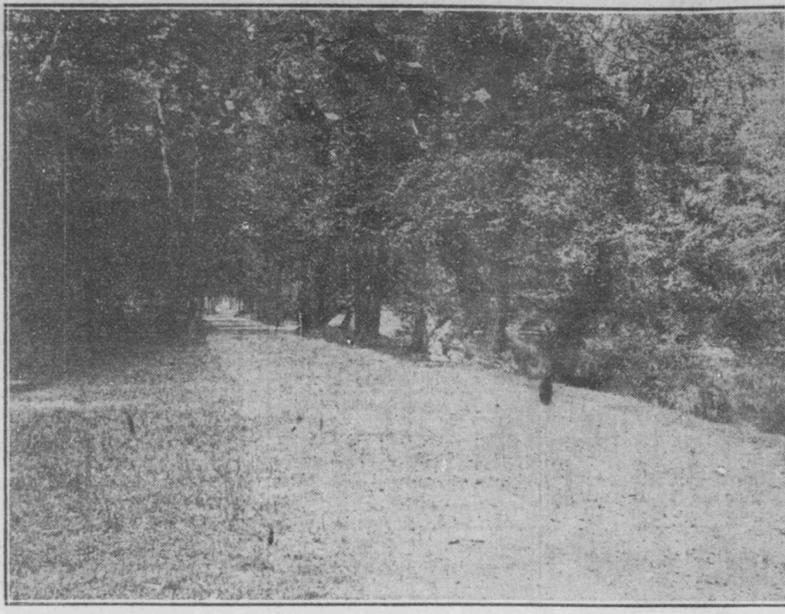
Clouds Were Thick. The rain lasted all of one minute, when the cloud that was causing the trouble skipped out of the way—it looked about as large as a handkerchief—and the air was clear again. But behind the first cloud were others. While the biplane was being rolled up to the starting derrick, and adjusted over the monorail, another flurry of rain drizzled down, wetting the wings of the flyer. This also passed, and after a preliminary run of the engine, in which it showed that the slight trouble of the day before had been completely remedied, preparations were made for the hotting of the weight.

All this time the wind itself had been giving little bother. It was almost directly from the south—a favorable direction—was not more than six miles an hour in velocity. But when the sprinkles of rain stopped the wind started. A stray sheet of paper could be seen shooting across the parade ground. Coats and trousers flapped. And the little American flag on the forward planes of the flyer, showed that the rapidly increasing wind was drawing around to the west. It rose to a velocity of between twelve and fifteen miles an hour, and was finally coming almost directly across the field.

Hopes Went Glimmering. Altogether, the situation was what a bridge player calls a Yarborough, and what other devotees of the pasteboard call pretty poor pickin's. Wilbur finally gave the order for the removal of the biplane to its shed, and the chances of a speed flight went glimmering with the light.

In the meantime, the two small cylindrical balloons used as markers had been sent up at the three-mile point and on

BEAUTY SPOTS IN ROCK CREEK PARK—No. 4.



Shooters Hill, five miles away, at the end of the course. The hearer one could be seen fairly distinctly, and at times the other showed dimly against the cloudy sky.

In an afternoon devoid of interesting occurrences the Signal Corps men in charge of the nearer balloon distinguished themselves by letting it get away from them. It broke from its moorings, went up to an altitude of a couple of thousand feet, and soared off in a northeasterly direction.

A crowd had gathered on Shooters Hill in expectation of the flight, but was disappointed as it had been Wednesday afternoon. The atmospheric disturbance was greater there than it was at Fort Myer. While the biplane was standing ready for flight at Fort Myer a report was received over the telephone from the other end of the line that a very gusty squall was going on there, although at that time everything was fairly quiet at the fort. As Wilbur Wright explained it, the flyer seemed to be beneath about the center of disturbance, and the clouds that were causing the trouble were revolving about the parade ground as an orbit.

The aeronautical board held a meeting last night, at which the Wright brothers were present to discuss the advisability of trying to fly at dawn this morning. The records of the anemometer, or wind gauge, show that in the last twenty days there have been fifteen practically calm mornings.

It was finally decided, however, that there should be no morning flight. If conditions are all right this afternoon the speed test will be attempted. Henry Lewis, a negro, living at Hilldale, employed by the Capital Traction Company, working at Pennsylvania avenue and Eighth street southeast, fell into an excavation late yesterday afternoon and was badly injured. He was taken to Casualty Hospital.

EDDY INDORSES PLAN

Secretary Favors Opening of Rock Creek Park.

DEPLORES PRESENT SITUATION

Movement Inaugurated by The Washington Herald Commended by E. H. Eddy, Commissioner—Wagon Way Athletic Fields to Be Governed by Responsible Organization.

Greater interest in the movement inaugurated by The Washington Herald to open up and popularize Rock Creek Park is being manifested daily. It is a significant fact, and one which demonstrates the trend of public opinion in the matter, that all who have been questioned or who have volunteered an opinion with regard to the project have expressed themselves as being decidedly in favor of it. Suggestions for the better carrying out of the plan are being received daily.

Secretary and Executive Officer H. C. Eddy, of the District electric railway commission, said yesterday that The Washington Herald's design to make Rock Creek Park better known and more used by the citizens of Washington was a most praiseworthy one. "A city," he said, "cannot have too many parks, and the construction and opening of them should be encouraged if only for hygienic reasons. Certainly Washington has not a sufficient number of parks of the 'usable type' or those which the citizens cannot only use to rest in, but for athletic sports.

VIOLATION CHARGED.

Ambrose Jackson Accused of Driving in Middle of Viaduct.

Representatives Indignant.

Numerous conferences have been held at the White House this week. It has been widely heralded that the President was laboring to bring about substantial reductions in many schedules. The real truth is that he has been plainly and forcibly informed by indignant Representatives that the reductions which he was willing to accept are wholly inadequate, and that unless real and substantial reductions are made in many schedules the House would not agree to the conference report.

NOMINATIONS CONFIRMED.

William F. Willoughby Assistant Director of Census.

The Senate yesterday confirmed the nominations of William F. Willoughby, of the District of Columbia, to be assistant director of the census, and of Stuart K. Fuller, of Wisconsin, to be counsel at Gothenburg, Switzerland.

Mr. Willoughby was secretary of state for Porto Rico, which position he resigned several weeks ago. The nomination of Consul Fuller was opposed by Senators La Follette and Stephenson, of Wisconsin, on the ground that he was not a bona fide resident of Wisconsin. They withdrew their objections, however.

ENGINEER BAND CONCERT.

Southwestern grounds, United States Engineer Band, Julius Kamper, chief musician. Today at 7:30 o'clock. March, "Guard of Honor".....Lehmann Overture, "William Tell".....Rosini Grand solo, "Serenade Waltz".....Hoeft. By Principal Madeline Wintermer. Selection, "Pauze".....Gronsd Wald, "Vienna Beauties".....Zehner Myl, "The Glow Worm".....Liska Selection, "The Three Twins".....Hoschka Medley, "1863".....Calvin "The Star Spangled Banner."

DESIRES APPROPRIATION.

Secretary MacVeagh Wants \$73,000 for Customs Court. Secretary MacVeagh, of the Treasury Department, yesterday requested Congress to amend the tariff bill to provide an appropriation of \$73,000 to meet the expenses of the contemplated customs court.

The provision establishing the court is also incorporated in the tariff bill, but as yet, no steps have been taken to provide the necessary funds for its maintenance. The court will have jurisdiction over all cases connected with the United States customs, and it is understood it will have permanent headquarters in this city.

EVANS LOSES THREE FINGERS.

Owen R. Evans, of 800 Lee street, Alexandria, employed at the Fifth-Sterling Steel Plant, Glenboro Point, on the Potomac, while working at a lathe yesterday afternoon, had his right hand caught in the machine, which amputated three of his fingers before aid reached him. Dr. Melroy, of Congress Heights, attended the injured man. Later he was taken to his home in Alexandria.

Senator Cummins' Bill.

Senator Cummins, of Iowa, introduced a bill yesterday designed to amend the interstate commerce act, so as to prevent common carriers from transporting commodities produced by factories or mines in which a carrier is interested. The penalty provided is a fine of not less than \$1,000 for every illegal shipment.



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SEES PARTY'S DOOM

John J. Fitzgerald Predicts G. O. P. Downfall.

DEMORALIZED BY TARIFF BILL

Congressman from New York Prophesies Democratic Control of Next House of Representatives Followed by Democratic President and Honest Revision of the Tariff.

Rev. John J. Fitzgerald, of New York, expressed the opinion yesterday that the Democrats will control the next House of Representatives. The Republicans, he said, are in a demoralized condition on the tariff question, and probably four Republican members will vote against the conference report.

"The Democrats should awaken to their present advantageous position," he said. "The Republicans are completely demoralized. The belated attempts of President Taft to compel some pretense to be made of keeping the unequivalpled pledges made during the campaign for a gradual downward revision have resulted in bitter contentions and violent controversies among the Republicans.

"The insistent public demand that there shall be substantial reductions on woolen and cotton goods, hosiery, gloves, lumber, print paper, earthen and china ware, farm implements and innumerable other articles of every day use, cannot be satisfied by free hides and oil and slight reductions on iron ore, which may help enrich the manufacturer, but result in no perceptible benefit to the consumer.

"As a result of a careful canvass, which I have been quietly making during the present week, I am convinced that at least forty Republican Representatives will refuse to vote for the conference report in the only shape which it seems possible to have it made.

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"All that is necessary to create a situation which will surely result in a bill which will contain some real relief for the consuming public is that Democrats shall stand firm and be present and vote against the conference report. The discussions among the Republicans are so marked that an attempt is now made to conceal or to deny them.

"Positive action by the Democrats will surely result in a Democratic House, to be followed by a Democratic President, and then real tariff revision in the interest of the people rather than for the benefit of the trusts.

"No question of personal comfort nor any desire to finish the session quickly should deter Democrats from remaining here to be recorded against the conference report. A firm and aggressive stand against the bill will complete the demoralization of the Republicans, will be followed by a Democratic President, and, more important than everything else, will result in substantial reductions of rates on many articles of common use, to the benefit of all the people."

RATE WAR REOPENED.

Carriers Place Tariff on File with Interstate Commission. The war among the trunk lines in the East over import freight rates, begun on March 4 by the Boston and Maine, in reducing its rates on import traffic destined to Chicago and the Middle West, to the same rates as those from Baltimore to the same points, notwithstanding the difference in haul, and which slumbered a while, has been reopened.

Carriers engaged in traffic from Newport News to Chicago and the Middle West placed on file with the Interstate Commerce Commission tariffs showing cuts in the six classes in which certain freight is divided of from 1 to 4 cents a hundred pounds, and in commodities rate of a little more than 1 cent a hundred pounds.

This cut was made to meet one made by the Boston and Maine. In order that the import trade of New York, Philadelphia, and Baltimore with the Middle West may be protected, the trunk lines will have to meet this cut, so as to retain the differential rates that now exist. Information has reached the commission that it is the intention of the carriers to do so, should they will file their tariffs on Saturday.

Somerset Expresses Gratitude.

A petition containing the signatures of many citizens of Somerset, Md., received by the Commissioners yesterday, expresses the thanks and appreciation of the citizens of that town for the valuable assistance rendered by the Columbia Fire Department on July 27, on the occasion of the burning of the real-estate office of Dr. Sutcliffe. The Tennyson engine company responded to the alarm. Private G. S. Bishop is specially commended.

Robbed by a Negro.

Early yesterday morning, as Mrs. Helena Shepperd, of the Saginaw apartments, 124 S street northwest, was on her way to market, a half grown negro boy jumped from an alleyway near her home, snatched her pocketbook and made his escape. The pocketbook contained \$10 in bills, and some small change in silver. The matter was reported to the Eighth police precinct, but the description given the police by Mrs. Shepperd was so meagre it is doubtful if the thief will ever be apprehended.

Plan Removal of Farmers' Market.

Commissioner Macfarland yesterday notified Charles D. Walcott, secretary of the Smithsonian Institution, in response to a request that the farmers' market on the south side of B street northwest, between Ninth and Twelfth streets, fronting the new addition to the National Museum, be removed, that it is the intention of the Commissioners to lay a sidewalk between Tenth and Eleventh streets and make other necessary improvements, so that the farmers' market can be moved some time between September 1 and September 15.

A. C. Courtney Awarded Contract.

A. C. Courtney was yesterday awarded the contract for the writing and other alterations in the laboratories of physics at the Central and Eastern high schools, at \$2,600. Property Clerk Hargrove opened the bids, and the contract went to Mr. Courtney as the lowest bidder.

Car Hits Auto.

An automobile operated by Edward J. Lundy, of 147 Belmont street northwest, collided with a street car in front of 1096 F street northwest last night. The machine was badly damaged, but no one was hurt.

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REPORT ON HOUSE BILLS.

Commissioners Submit Opinion on Legislation Affecting District.

The Board of Commissioners yesterday transmitted to Congress, in response to references from the House, a bill to provide legislation requiring employers of female clerks in the District to provide them with chairs or stools. In this case the Commissioners said that the present law is sufficient to cover the case, but that no objection would be raised to the proposed amendment of the law if the House committee saw fit.

Another bill under consideration and sent to the Commissioners for report is to transfer jurisdiction of a part of the Washington Aqueduct to the Commissioners. The Commissioners' proposed legislation invite attention to a report made by them May 29, 1909, on House bill 2321, Sixtieth Congress, first session, having the same title, and renew their recommendation of unfavorable action in the matter.

The other bill under consideration is to provide for the further purification of the water supply of the District. The report of the Commissioners says that their views on this bill are the same as those contained in a report made by them March 20, 1906, and House bill 1341, Fifty-ninth Congress, first session, having the same object in view.

The Commissioners favor the bill, and desire to see the water supply of the District purified as far as possible.

SENT TO CRITENDON HOME.

Mary Thomas. Mary Thomas, otherwise known as Alice Roberts, twenty years of age, without relatives or friends and who says she has been deserted by her husband, Mrs. Nettie Hill, of 42 H street southwest, and Mrs. Mae Kendall, an adjoining neighbor, were the complainants. The woman said they had befriended the girl. She was turned over to Agent Massey, of the Children's Aid Society, who sent her to the Critendon Home.

FLORISTS ENJOY PICNIC.

Washington Club Members Spend Day at Great Falls. The flower stores of Washington were closed yesterday in honor of the third annual outing of the Florist Club, which was held at Great Falls. The club has more than 300 members in the District of Columbia, and almost the entire membership, which includes nearly all of the prominent flower dealers of the city, attended.

Three special cars, provided for the accommodation of the pleasure seekers, were decorated with flags and cut flowers, and were the objects of much comment along the way.

The entertainment committee, composed of George Shaffer, chairman, F. H. Kramer, E. S. Schmidt, and James W. Carberry, was extremely busy attending to the manifold duties, which were performed to the satisfaction of all concerned.

Changes at Tuberculosis Hospital.

These changes in the personnel of the Tuberculosis Hospital have been announced: Promotion, Herman Reiter from fireman to engineer at \$48; resigned, Bertha Daniels, assistant cook; Lavinia Anderson, Emily Hegler, servants; appointments, L. L. Cunningham, R. de Coursey, E. A. Smith, graduate nurses, at \$25; Inna Green, ward maid, \$18; Annie Douglas, assistant cook, \$18; Luch Robinson, maidservant, \$18; Mary Allen, John Smith, Mary Jones, servants, \$18.

Objects to Fire Limit Extension.

Morris Hacker, building inspector, raises objection to a recommendation of Inspector Francis E. Cross, of the police department, for a change in the building regulations in which it is sought by the police department to extend the meaning of "fire limits," which now run to the middle of the streets, to include the whole street.

Federal of Mrs. Griffith To-day.

The funeral services of Mrs. Marlene Virginia Griffith will be held at St. Andrew's Church this afternoon. The deceased was the wife of Rev. H. Allen Griffith, chaplain at the United States Soldiers' Home.

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BUSINESS NOTICES

MRS. KEIGHTLEY, THE MASSEUSE, who was unavoidably out of town for a couple of days, is now back to fulfill her engagements. 213

PLAYS

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DIED.

ALEXANDER—At Colorado Springs, Colo. S. REESE, eldest son of Rev. William C. Alexander, D. D., and Mary C. Alexander. Interment at Easton, Pa., Monday afternoon.

CHAMBERS—On Thursday, July 29, 1909, at her residence, 106 D street northwest, Mrs. ELIZA ANNE CHAMBERS, aged eighty-six years. Funeral from her late residence Saturday, July 31, at 2 p. m.

DUGANNE—On Thursday, July 29, at 1:30 a. m. EMMA E., mother of Charles G., Austin D., Alfred C., and Mrs. M. S. Koonce. Funeral services from Lee's chapel Friday, July 30, at 2 p. m. Interment private. (Savannah, Ga., papers please copy.)

SCHERMERHORN—On Thursday, July 29, 1909, at 5 p. m., at her residence, 28 K street northwest, CATHERINE, widow of George Schermerhorn. Funeral Saturday, July 31, at 8:30 a. m. Requiem mass at St. Aloysius' Church at 8 o'clock. Relatives and friends invited to attend.

VOIGT—On Wednesday, July 29, 1909, at 11:35 p. m., at his residence, Wisconsin avenue, Tennallytown, WILLIAM, beloved husband of Sophia Voigt, in the sixty-ninth year of his age. Funeral (private) from his late residence Friday, July 30, at 3 p. m.

WARREN—On Thursday, July 29, 1909, at 10:35 p. m. CHARLES M., beloved husband of Arline H. Warren (nee Swensen) and son of Kate M. and the late Capt. E. K. Warren. Funeral notice hereafter.

WINLOCK—On Wednesday, July 29, 1909, at Atlantic City, N. J., ALICE BROOM WINLOCK, aged sixty-five years. Funeral services at St. Paul's Church, Twenty-third street, Friday, July 30, at 10 a. m. Interment private.

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Read the Announcement on the Second Page of the Literary Magazine Section of The Washington Herald SUNDAY, AUGUST 1, 1909 A personal letter to the readers of the Sunday edition will be found there. The plans outlined refer chiefly to fiction, but in every other department the same painstaking efforts will be made to give the readers the best the market affords. The following is a partial list of what will be found in The Washington Herald's feature pages next Sunday: CHARLES FROHMAN'S PLANS. American manager has plays of all kinds and a repertoire theater pronunciation. OPTIMISM BEGINS AT HOME. Homes are the bulwark of the nation, and the place where all things have their beginning. THIRTY-ONE BOMBS JAR EVEN CHICAGO. Extraordinary Fight Among Gamblers Protected by "Cheap" Politicians, in which Police are Baffled. THE DIPLOMATIC SERVICE. Types of men who are of greatest value to their respective countries. THE FAIR THAT WAS READY. Rev. Charles D. Bulla, of Alexandria, gives an interesting account of the Seattle Exposition. DESECRATION OF TOMBS. Recent events in France recall notable days of 1793. THE BRIDGE OF THE GODS. A unique story of adventure with a touch of love and humor in it. STATUES SENT INTO EXILE. Strange destiny of effigies of famous men that have fallen into disfavour. WHEN MADAME TURNS SMUGGLER. This is of pertinent interest owing to the recent exposures of custom frauds in New York. HATRED OF CONSTABULARY. Pennsylvania's mounted troops able to awe mobs of many times their number. THE OTHER WOMAN. A strong love story that will appeal to those with a spark of sentiment in their breasts. A MOST INDUSTRIOUS CUSS. Leo Crane, a Washingtonian, placed in the limelight, in the announcement in the Literary Magazine.