

VAST THROG WITNESSES THE AIR TRIUMPHS

Parmalee and Ely Are Heroes
of the Day at Camp
Selfridge

Record Breaking Flight Fol-
lowed by Daring Dips and
Thrilling Glides

bay and several miles southward to-
wards San Mateo, complained of a
few bad currents of air over the hills
he crossed, but the wind was just
light enough and steady enough to
please the most fastidious aerial taste
and the sky pilots fairly revelled in it.
FLIGHT IS COMPELLING

It was exactly at noon, after a short
test flight to try his motor, that Parma-
lee arose for his attempt to lower the
American record for duration. It was
almost four hours later that his
machine touched ground again and
glided back to the starting point.
His flight was a beautiful one, steady,
yet never monotonous, for his graceful
turns and the sweep of his machine
against the green background of the
Vistachion hills, was compelling in its
attractiveness. Long before he had
completed the second hour of his flight
the few thousands who were on the
field when he arose had increased to
a number that filled every seat in the
immense grandstand, spread out over
the fields adjoining the course and
crowded the automobile park.

Time after time, as Parmalee swept
over the grandstand, the crowd arose
to cheer him and to wave encourage-
ment with hats, handkerchiefs and
veils. As he neared the record hour,
every round was the signal for an
ovation, and when the figures on the
bulletin board and the lusty voices of
the megaphonemen announced that the
old record was broken the throng arose
in a frenzy of excitement.

COULDN'T HERE CHEERS
"I couldn't hear any of the cheer-
ing, but I noticed a good deal of com-
motion down there about the time I
passed the record mark," Parmalee
commented afterwards.

The official time for the flight was
3 hours, 39 minutes and 49 1/2 seconds,
longer by 22 minutes than the longest
previous flight over any American
field. Of course the band played "Hail
to the chief," and the crowd hailed
his own best efforts at cheering when
Parmalee alighted, but it was his fel-
low airmen, knowing best the strain of
such a flight, who gave the new
champion the most hearty congratula-
tions. Parmalee declared that he might
have stayed up much longer had his
supply of gasoline been sufficient, but
it was very low at the last, and, with
the honor won, he determined to take
no unnecessary chance.

ELY'S RAPID FLIGHT
Ely's flight to Ingleside was like an
escape from the plaudits of the crowd.
When the new medal was pinned on
his breast he blushed like a boy, and
the minute he escaped from the friendly
hands before the grandstand he vaulted
into the driving seat of his machine,
waved a goodbye and was off to the
north. He disappeared over the hills
toward San Francisco. Forty-five
minutes later he came in sight again,
speeding straight for the field, and
alighted with two small pennants
attached to the uprights of his aero-
plane. He had flown to the Ingleside
golf links, swooped down to greet
Madame Tetrzinski, received from her
hands the pennants bearing her
pictures, and returned to announce
that she was nearing the field in her
automobile.

In all, there were 15 professional
flights during the afternoon and two
or three good amateur attempts with-
out including those which reduced two
novice machines to heaps of scrap.
The accidents were serious ones in
both cases, but fortunately without in-
jury of any consequence to either avia-
tor or to spectators. Clarence Walker
of San Mateo, in his newly purchased
Curtiss machine, brought the series of
amateur mishaps to a close by losing
control of the biplane and charging at
full speed into the lake behind
Camp Selfridge. The aviator waded
to land wet to his neck, and the prop-
eller of his machine, built to smash
the air instead of water, was thrashed
to splinters.

STUNTS ARE SPECTACULAR
Radley, Brookins, Willard and Ely
furnished the spectacular thrills of
the day with their exhibition stunts.
Time after time they swept down over
the grandstand, close above the heads
of the crowd, and then shot upward
again, with the screams of the timid
and the cheers of others ringing after
them. They dipped low into the gullies
about the field, flying close to the
ground, then ascended to the higher
altitudes and came back with spiral
dips and fancy curves. Several pas-
sengers were carried and Lieutenant
Myron S. Crissy of the coast artillery
corps continued his bomb throwing ex-
periments from Brookins' machine.
Major O'Neill's battalion from the
Thirtieth infantry performed a number
of special drills and wall scaling tests,
giving several additional exhibitions in
honor of Mme. Tetrzinski, who visited
Camp Selfridge as the guest of the of-
ficers and men of the camp.

ELECTED OLD EYE—A thief filled a show-
case in front of the saloon of E. Gray at
150 Fourth street early yesterday morning,
taking 10 bottles of choice old rye. A large
quantity of cheaper liquors nearby was un-
touched.

POLICE CHIEF BRINGS PRISONER—Chief of
Police W. H. Dood of Pasadena was in the
city yesterday en route to San Quentin with
a prisoner, E. L. Poon, sentenced to a 5
year term, from Los Angeles.

BOYS CHECK CASHED—A man giving the
name of Louis Leeb cashed a check for \$24
at Fred Carriere's saloon, Third and Potrero
streets, yesterday. It was later declared to
be worthless.

Ely Given Medal For Daring Feat



Mrs. C. E. Scottford, wife of president of aviation committee, pinning gold medal on Eugene Ely's coat.

Navy and Army Join in Paying Tribute to Aviator Who Flew to Cruiser

Facing a cheering audience that
packed the grandstand at Selfridge
field, supported by a military band in
full blast, a company of soldiers and a
detachment of sailors, Eugene Ely, the
Curtiss aviator who flew from the avia-
tion field to the cruiser Pennsylvania
and back to the field last Wednesday,
was presented with a medal commemo-
rative of his exploit yesterday. Cap-
tain F. Pond of the Pennsylvania
was there to say a few words of of-
ficial congratulation to the young bird-
man who has made history in the
advance of naval warfare. Major J. P.
O'Neill of the Thirtieth infantry spoke
in praise of the aviator also and Mrs.
Ely beamed at him with love and pride
in an affectionate glance that some-
what warmed the slightly chill air of
the aviation field.

C. E. Scottford, president of the avia-
tion committee, made an address, too,
and his wife pinned the medal on Ely.
Ely himself smiled in an embar-
rassed manner, and with a stumbling
word or two that showed how little at
ease he was, vaulted into the saddle of
his biplane and flew up into the upper
air, where he could feel perfectly calm
and collected.

FEAT MARKS EPOCH
"Your feat, that of alighting on and
then departing from a warship," Cap-
tain Pond said, "marks an epoch in the
history of aeronautics and of naval
warfare. Untold possibilities arise in
consequence of your courage and skill
and originality. From your deed may
date an entirely new era in the history
of warfare."

Major O'Neill extended to Ely his con-
gratulations in the name of the Thirtieth
infantry, which is encamped on
Selfridge field, and has taken part in
so much of the aeronautical work.
"I am glad, indeed," the major said,
"that on Wednesday last I saw Eugene
Ely alight on the deck of the Pennsyl-
vania, and, after a brief visit, success-
fully fly away to a safe landing at
Selfridge field. That event will go
down in the history of man's conquest
of the air, and it will date new plans
and greater plans for offensive and de-
fensive warfare."

PINS ON THE MEDAL
Scottford spoke a few words in be-
half of the aviation committee, and Mrs.
Scottford laughed and joked with Ely
as she pinned the medal on "a brave
bosom." Mrs. Ely accompanied Mrs.
Scottford out on the field from the
grandstand, and she contented herself
with smiling brightly at her husband.

It was all over in a very short time,
and as Ely walked down to his aero-
plane the crowd gave him a hearty
yell, at which the aviator removed his
hat and bowed. Then the sailors
wheeled and departed, the band
marched away melodiously, the soldiers
stepped off in lively fashion, the moun-
tain battery disappeared on the backs
of uninterested mules and Ely soared
up and away to visit Tetrzinski, his
medal stowed in his pocket along with
a sack of tobacco, a monkey wrench, a
pair of oil soaked gloves and other
things commonly acquired by aviators.

Ely Views His Own Flight
Eugene Ely in repose watching
Eugene Ely in action on canvas was
discovered in the midst of Sigma Tau
fraternity brothers in a box by the
Orpheum audience Saturday night and
cheered for several minutes until he
rose and bowed. Then in response to
demands of "speech" he said:

"I can't talk as well as I can fly.
I thank you for— That was as far
as he got. For the audience broke in
with cheers and applause and Ely re-
turned to his seat and repose.
Ely saw himself land on the Penn-
sylvania in his record breaking flight,

watched his greeting by the officers
and sailors and then gazed upon his
return flight to Selfridge field—all as
caught by the moving picture man.

Balloons to Be Rescued
The following emanated last night
from aviation headquarters:
"In the olden days, before man mas-
tered the air, the toy balloon that
parted its moorings was forever lost.
The inability to retrieve these fragile
and lighter than air toys has shattered
many a childish dream, and until now
not all the wealth of California street
could restore one solitary runaway bal-
loon.

"The airship has brought a great
change.
"We will demonstrate today that the
ruthless sacrifice of the millions of
toy balloons that have broken their
strings and wandered off into space
has been a needless waste.

"If a child drops his cap into the
water a friendly boathook will serve
to bring it back to dry land.
"If the child of today loses his toy
balloon the airship will bring it back.
"At the aviation field today the bird-
men will be enrolled for the afternoon
into a society for the rescue of toy
balloons. At intervals one of these tiny
gas bags will be turned loose. The
alarm will be sent in to hangar row,
and, in full view of the grandstand,
an aviator will be dispatched in chase
of the balloon. He will effect the capture
in midair, and will return to earth with
his captive.

"The committee will give a special
prize to the aviator rescuing the great-
est number of these toy balloons.
"This afternoon every child that
wants to see a new kind of fun should
bring a balloon."

San Jose Gets Message
SAN JOSE, Jan. 22.—Cyril T. Lotz,
an amateur wireless operator of this
city, was puzzled yesterday to receive
the words on his machine, "Scottford is
not the only bird on the committee."
Lotz did not know what to make of
the vagrant message he had caught
until he read in the newspapers this
morning of the wireless flashed by
Lieutenant Beck, riding with Aviator
Parmalee from 500 feet above Selfridge
field to the wireless station below.
Then Lotz knew that he, too, had
caught Beck's sentence.

San Jose is 40 miles by actual mea-
surement from Selfridge field and Beck's
feat therefore is not only that of hav-
ing sent a wireless message from 500
feet in the air to a wireless station
two miles away. From the air he sent
a message 40 miles through the air to
San Jose.

The wireless operator is now on the
qui vive for further messages from
Selfridge field.

**STATE LAW BROKEN
TO SAVE BOY'S LIFE**

**Lad Has Scarlet Fever, but Will
Travel**

[Special Dispatch to The Call]
SACRAMENTO, Jan. 22.—The law re-
quiring quarantine of scarlet fever
cases will be violated in the case of a
boy patient of Corcoran, Kings county,
by the state board of health. The boy
was recently bitten by a dog and rabies
has developed. About the same time he
became ill with scarlet fever. Knowing
the law the physician, in a quandary,
appealed to Doctor Snow of the state
board of health. To save the boy's
life permission has been granted to
take him to Los Angeles in a special
car, of which he will be the sole occu-
pant.

10 CHINESE KILLED BY TROOPS IN RIOT

British and German Gunboats
Land Detachments to Pro-
tect Foreign Residents

HANKOW, China, Jan. 22.—The death
of a coolie, who was found dying by the
British police, resulted in serious dis-
orders today. The Chinese suspected
that the police had killed the coolie,
and rioting began in several sections.

British and German gunboats landed
detachments, and fierce fighting fol-
lowed, in which 10 Chinese were killed.
Several foreigners were injured. Chi-
nese troops are in control of the situa-
tion tonight.

Hankow is a treaty port in the prov-
ince of Hu Peh, on the Yangtze Kyang.
It is one of the largest cities of the
empire, with a population of 850,000 and
many foreign merchants.

Joseph Mellroy, general agent of the
Missouri, Kansas and Texas, who has
been attending an important confer-
ence of the passenger officials of the
"Katy" at Dallas, Tex., returned to
this city Friday. All Pullman and
dining cars on the "Katy" are now
equipped with electric lights and other
modern improvements have been made
in the passenger service of the com-
pany.

Charles A. Klein, has been appointed
assistant general passenger agent of
the Southern railway, with office at
Washington, D. C.

Diva's Visit Inspires Some Spectacular Stunts

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"Tetrzinski day" was the name
which was given to yesterday,
Sunday, at Selfridge aviation
field. The presence of that diva
inspired an enthusiasm that pro-
duced the most spontaneously
spectacular day that the meet has
seen. The flying was magnificent,
and Parmalee brought back to
the city a new American endur-
ance record. Ely surpassed him-
self with his Dutch rolls and sen-
sational dips. Radley burned the
air in magnificent speed bursts.
Brookins took aloft the army
bomb expert, Lieutenant Myron
S. Crissy, who dropped two dum-
mies and one explosive bomb,
with excellent aim. Charlie Wil-
lard tested a new wireless send-
ing set, and the military field set
erected on the field by Captain
Henry W. Stamford, United States
Signal Corps, reported complete
success in picking up his signals.
Today will witness the close of
the greatest aviation meet as
viewed from a military stand-
point that the world has ever
seen.

The following appointments on the
Missouri, Kansas and Texas, effective
January 15, have been announced:
J. W. White to be commercial agent
at Fort Worth, Tex., succeeding F. G.
Abbey, assigned to other duties, and
H. W. Landman, commercial agent at
Denison, Tex., succeeding White, trans-
ferred to Fort Worth.

AIRSHIPS ARE NEW, BUT FLYING NOT

Here's a Man Who Went Bal-
looning in Portugal 201
Years Ago

While the French people are this
year celebrating the hundredth anni-
versary of the death of Joseph de
Montgolfier, who, they say, was the
first to ascend in a fire balloon in 1783,
the Portuguese are also celebrating
the two hundred and first anniversary
of Bartholomew de Gusmao, who, as
early as 1709, is said to have traveled
through the air by means of a balloon.

Bartholomew Lourenco de Gusmao
was the son of an eminent surgeon and
was born at Santos, Brazil, in 1825.
Having proceeded to Europe to finish
his studies at the University of Colim-
bra, he subsequently became a Jesuit
and achieved much distinction both as
a brilliant orator and as a mathemati-
cian.

We first learn of his aerial projects
in 1709, when he addressed a petition
to King John of Portugal, stating that
he had "discovered an instrument for
traveling in the air in the same man-
ner as on land and sea, but with much
greater rapidity, making sometimes
more than 200 leagues a day." His
add: "By means of this machine one
could convey most important communi-
cations to armies in the field."

OBTAINS SOLE PATENT
The object of the petition was to
obtain a patent giving him the ex-
clusive privilege of his invention. The
patent was granted on April 19, 1709,
the reasons advanced for complying
with the petition being curious enough:
"By the aid of this useful invention,"
it was stated, "numberless questions

might arise, and many crimes might
be committed owing to the certainty
of being able to pass quickly into other
countries, eventualities which would
be avoided by reserving its use to a
single person."
Among the interesting documents ex-
tant which mention Gusmao's inven-
tion is a letter written by Princess
Elizabeth Christina de Brunswick-
Blankenburg to her mother from Barce-
lona. In it she says "The queen of
Portugal has invited me to go and see
her as soon as a ship sails, as there
is a man at Lisbon who claims to be
able to travel in the air. If his inven-
tion is a success I shall come and see
you one day every week. It would be
a charming and agreeable way of trav-
eling, but I very much doubt whether
the inventor will succeed in his enter-
prise."

FLIGHT WAS SUCCESS
The ascent, which took place August
8, 1709, in the presence of King John
of Portugal, was, we are told, a suc-
cess. According to a writer in 1826,
the balloon was conveyed to the top
of a castle tower—the Casa da Inda—
from which starting place the inventor
flew over the intervening space between
the tower and the Terreiro de Paço,
behind which he descended. We are
not told what the precise distance was,
but it is added by the chronicler as
showing the success of the flight that
henceforth the plucky Gusmao was
known as "the flying man." What
throws some doubt on the success of
the exploit, however, is the fact that
although Gusmao lived for 15 years
afterward, there is no record of his
having made another flight in his bal-
loon, which was named the Sparrow.

MIGHT HAVE BEEN PARACHUTE
The design of the machine has been
found in the archives of the University
of Coimbra. It appears to have con-
sisted of a pyramid shaped envelope
with the apex upward. Beneath this
envelope, suspended by the three cor-
ners, was a boat shaped car fitted at
the rear with a vertical rudder shaped
like a bird's wing. The rudder, ap-
parently, was operated by hand. There
is nothing to indicate how the envelope
was inflated or how the inventor pro-
posed to rise from the ground. Such
a machine seems quite incapable of
flight in the air.

Wire President Taft Today

The solid South is using sectionalism and political meth-
ods to prevent an exposition in the west.

Impress upon the President that the West as a unit
demands the settlement of the Exposition question on bigger
and broader lines.

Keep the wires busy. Impress the President with your
earnestness by the number of telegrams he receives and
the number of people interested.

There is no solid West appreciated in Washington today.

The West has never been a believer in sectionalism.

It realizes the benefit of running the Government on broader business lines. But
the solid South is demanding political recognition for New Orleans as the Exposition
city based entirely upon Southern sentiment.

All the arguments in favor of San Francisco—all the advantages of location, cli-
mate and financial backing, have been given absolutely no consideration whatever.

To compel recognition of the rightful claims of the West, prompt, vigorous, united
action is imperative.

- Every commercial organization—
- Every labor union—
- Every fraternal society—
- Every civic body in every city—
- Every business house—
- Every individual in the West—

Telegraph to President Taft TODAY, and by the very number of telegrams he re-
ceives impress him with your earnestness, your enthusiasm, your sincerity, and with the
unbounded interest of the West in demanding that which it has a right to expect from
the administration it has so strongly supported.

A solid South committee in Congress has reported favorably a bill to create an inter-
national exposition at New Orleans.

Mind you, this was done against San Francisco's simple request that Congress
authorize the President of the United States to invite the nations of the world to partic-
ipate in an exposition in 1915 created and WHOLLY financed by the people of the
West without Government aid.

This big business proposition of the West, backed by seventeen and a half million
dollars (\$17,500,000) ALREADY available, with millions to follow, has been turned
down by a solid South committee in Congress in favor of Southern sentiment.

Telegraph today. Impress the President and his party leaders by the very num-
ber of telegrams received and the interests represented. Send your wire now—using the
following form as an example of the arguments which should be presented:

WM. H. TAFT, President of the United States, Washing-
ton, D. C.:
The West expects you and your party leaders to use all
the force and power at your command to settle the Exposition
matter on broad business lines.
(Signed)

Also telegraph your business connections, affiliations and friends east of the Rocky
Mountains to wire their Congressman and also the President at Washington to support
San Francisco as the exposition city.

As this matter comes before Congress Tuesday, January 24th, it is imperative that
you act AT ONCE.

Washington Delegation of the Panama-Pacific
International Exposition Company.

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