

THOMAS WINS 500 MILE AUTO RACE

FRENCH CAR TAKES FOURTH ANNUAL EVENT AT INDIANAPOLIS SPEEDWAY.

ALL RECORDS BROKEN

Winner's Average is 82.47 Miles Per Hour—Six Participants Are Injured in Race—100,000 Persons Present.

Indianapolis, Ind., June 1.—Rene Thomas, driving a French car, won the fourth annual 500 mile race on the Indianapolis motor speedway Saturday. All speedway records from five to 500 miles, were broken. The first American to finish was Barney Oldfield, who crossed the wire in the fifth place. Thomas' time was 6 hours, 3 minutes, 45 and 99-100ths seconds. The winner maintained an average speed of 82.47 miles an hour. The former record of 6 hours 21 minutes and 3-100ths seconds was established by Joe Dawson in 1912. The new record established Saturday was due in a large measure to the ideal weather conditions which prevailed.

Arthur Duray finished second seven minutes after the winner. Albert Guyot, team mate of Thomas, was the third driver to be given the checkered flag and Jules Guox, winner of the 1913 race, finished in fourth place, six minutes ahead of Oldfield.

Six men were injured, none of them seriously during the contest. Joe Dawson suffered a broken collar bone and minor injuries when his car turned over on the south turn after trying to dodge the wrecked machine of Ray Dillhoefer. Vere Barnes, Dawson's mechanic, was hurt and Gilhooley and Nino Zonal, his mechanic, also suffered minor injuries. Jean Chasagne and Albert Mitchell, handling an English car, limped away from their machine after it rolled over on a turn. The race was an exciting one from the start and the rivalry among the foreign teams made one of the most exciting finishes that has ever been witnessed at the Indianapolis course. George Bolloit, in a desperate effort to overhaul Thomas, pushed his car to such excessive speed that in the one hundredth and forty-seventh lap he was forced out when leading the field because of a broken frame.

Duray thrilled the spectators by his sensational effort to catch Thomas in the latter part of the contest and Guox seemed always to be a contender for first place. Thomas made one stop at the pits, Duray two and Guyot one. In the first 100 miles some drivers stopped on almost every lap. The race began to settle down after the 100 mile mark was set and the average speed increased. Thomas drove the last 100 miles at an average of more than 84 miles an hour.

The showing of Bob Burman was a

disappointment as was that of Tetzlaff, Disbrow, Mulford, Cooper and other stars.

100,000 Present. It is estimated that 100,000 people saw the contest. Thomas was given a hearty cheer when he drew up to the pits and embraced his mechanic, but through the last fifty miles, the crowd was shouting for Oldfield and urging him to regain the honors America lost to France over the same course last year. Thomas' car was No. 16. Guox carried the same number to victory last year. Thomas won first prize of \$20,000 and accessory prizes and trophies will swell this amount to about \$40,000.

Jose F. Christiaens, in a Belgian car, finished sixth, Harry Grant, in an English machine was seventh, Keene and Rodger in an American car, placed eighth and William Carlson as ninth. E. V. Rickenbacher, in an American car, finished tenth, the last of the prize winners. Haupt, Mulford and Burman, in Knipper's entry, finished the race in the order named.

WEST POINT.

Mrs. Wm. Lesch and Miss Lesch of Fort Madison are visiting the former's sister, Mrs. Chris Metzger.

Mrs. W. H. De Lashmuth very pleasantly entertained the members of the Ladies' Aid society at her home Friday afternoon. Refreshments concluded a most pleasant afternoon.

Miss Minnie Sheets left Saturday evening for a visit with her sister, Mrs. Ruby Bowman, in Burlington.

Wm. Culligan and family and Mr. and Mrs. J. E. Cantril attended the carnival at Fort Madison Thursday.

Miss Appleone Geers is visiting her sister, Mrs. Wm. Kiener, at Fort Madison.

Rev. Father Adams, Fred Metzger and Conrad Vantiger have each purchased an automobile.

Mrs. John Muerhoff and baby of Fort Madison are visiting her parents, Herman Rickleman and family.

A. V. Drake has sold his residence property to Harry Basell of Augusta. The consideration was \$600. Mr. and Mrs. Drake will give possession and leave West Point in the fall.

The marriage bans of Ben Sanders and Miss Edith Rice of Sawyer, Chas. Rice of Sawyer and Miss Kathryn Sanders have been announced. The affair will be a double wedding and will take place in St. Joseph's church at Fort Madison June 2. Mr. Sanders and his bride will live in West Point.

Miss Clara Dierker departed Tuesday for a visit with her sister, Mrs. Geo. Kempker, at New Castle, Neb. She will also visit her brother, Dr. J. B. Dierker, and family at Laurence.

Mr. Packer of Salem has been spending the week at the Harry De Lashmuth home.

Friends here have received the announcement of the marriage of Theodore Jansen and Mrs. Bertha O'Neil, which took place in Farmington May 20. The event was a quiet one, the ceremony being performed by Rev. Father Toner. The bride is a popular young lady of Farmington and will be remembered as Miss Bertha Forgrave. Mr. Johnson was born and reared in West Point and has many friends who wish him and his bride a happy wedded life. They left at once on a trip to Oklahoma. They will make their home in Farmington.

POST PRESENTED WITH LARGE FLAG

APPROPRIATE SERVICES ARE HELD AT CEMETERY ON MEMORIAL DAY.

HUNDREDS ATTEND

Crowds Present at Exercises and Decorate Graves of Loved Ones Departed—T. J. Hall Accepts Colors.

Hundreds of persons visited the Ottumwa cemetery Saturday afternoon, some for the primary purpose of decorating the resting places of loved ones and others to attend the impressive services that were held by the G. A. R., W. R. C., and other patriotic citizens.

One of the features of the afternoon's program was the presentation of a beautiful flag to Cloutman post, G. A. R., by the Women's Relief corps. The flag measures six by eight feet, and is made of silk, with embroidered stars. It will be used by the veterans in future exercises.

Mrs. S. E. Adler, in making the presentation address, said: "The Women's Relief corps for many years auxiliary to the Grand Army of the Republic, has been enabled by this close association to realize more fully than any other organization the suffering and the hardships endured by you and your comrades during the civil war.

"Its membership is partially composed of those who watched with tear-stained faces, and waited with aching hearts, for the return of loved ones who went out in the strength of young manhood, to defend and perpetuate those principles of liberty so gloriously established by our forefathers. Thousands never returned, and many thousands more came back with missing limbs and enfeebled bodies. The cruel ravages of war left many homes desolate. Wives were made widows, and children orphans.

"Many of the returned heroes fell sick and died for the want of care that was denied them, a decade after the war. It was then that the Women's Relief corps came into existence and now, with their hearts filled with gratitude for the services you rendered our country in her hour of peril, we come to you, members of the Grand Army of the Republic, on this Memorial day, to place within your keeping the emblem you so nobly served, the emblem that today floats over ninety million freedom-loving people; the emblem, blessed by dying comrades, as it passed them by on the battlefield where they were left to die.

"When your eyes can no longer behold it, may those to whom you transmit it, be imbued with the reverence for the patriots who won it, as you have been imbued. Those valiant patriots, struggling for freedom, had no flag to cheer them until army after army was lost. Dispirited and wretch-

ed when all seemed conquered but the father-chiefs, he aroused anew the sunken spirits of his associates by saying, 'Strip me of the defunct and suffering remnant of my army, take from me all that I have left, leave me but a banner, give me the means to plant it on the mountains of West Augusta, and I will yet draw around me the men, who shall lift up their bleeding country from the dust and set her free.' Their courage, their hopes, were rekindled from heaven's own light, and when their bravery and undying valor was finally crowned with success, that day our flag was born.

"For four long years, the fate of that flag was in your hands. You stood face with a mighty foe. Again and again that flag went down, and each time the soul of a color sergeant was waited in to the realms of eternity. Battle after battle was fought until victory was yours, and in triumph you bore that flag from the field of blood and carnage.

"You made it possible for us to be a united people, with one flag floating over all and for that blessing the whole country reveres you.

"The members of Cloutman Women's Relief corps revere you, and as a token of that reverence present to you this beautiful flag. May you possess it for many years to come."

T. J. Hall, commander of Cloutman post, accepted the flag, and tendered the thanks of the post. Mr. Hall said that he was sure the flag would still be preserved after the last member had been laid to rest beneath its folds.

The music for the occasion was furnished by a double quartet composed of Esther Pearson, Mrs. J. M. Crowner, soprano; Mrs. Jesse Spurgeon, Ellen Swenson, alto; W. B. Downing, W. B. Lowry, tenor; Jesse Spurgeon, Ed Mather, bass. The Fifty-fourth band also gave several selections. The invocation and benediction were pronounced by Rev. J. F. Robertson, pastor of the Willard Street M. E. church. Hon. J. C. Mabry, the principal speaker of the day, was introduced by Capt. W. H. C. Jacques, president of the day.

JEFF SAYS:



I bet on a feller in the big auto race because his name made me think he was a son of the old sod who would drive like blazes. But he wasn't and I lost. Never again.

WRECK VICTIMS BEING CLAIMED

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matter of regret to him now that his wife is dead.

"If only I had died instead of her," he said. "We slid down the deck into the water in each other's arms and then the force of the explosion, as the ship went under parted us. For a moment I was stunned and did not know what happened but very soon I knew that I was alone."

Dead Babies Sadden Many. A section in the shed that caused deep sorrow to those who visited it was that in which twenty-five little caskets lay. These contained the bodies of babes and little children. Person after person turned away crying from this sad collection.

Several of the bodies of the recovered dead were badly gashed, probably killed in their berths by the force of the Storstad's bow as it crashed into the Empress of Ireland's side, while nearly all were bruised and battered from contact with debris.

Additional bodies are being recovered but slowly at the scene of the disaster, reports from Rimouski and Matane say. A force of men is patrolling both sides of the St. Lawrence river for miles but thus far with little success. Many boats are hovering on the river with the same purpose in view.

Death List Fixed at 969. There was no change today in the official list of saved and dead which show that 419 persons escaped and 969 were killed or drowned.

Prompt investigation is promised on all sides and a royal commission has been named to make a searching inquiry. This commission is composed of one member of the British board of trade, named by the British government, and two judges of the Canadian admiralty court appointed by the government. Meantime a preliminary investigation is in progress, conducted by Captain Lindsay, wreck commissioner of the Canadian government. Surviving passengers and all the officers and crews involved will be examined.

Captains to Testify. Both Captain Kendall of the lost steamer, and Captain Anderson of the Storstad, are now in Montreal, and they will be among the first to be heard. Captain Anderson in a statement issued last night denies that he was responsible for the disaster. Captain Anderson claims he had the right of way and that when he lost sight of the Empress in the fog the latter's course had been set so that the vessels would pass each other safely. The Storstad's course remained unaltered, the statement alleges but when the Empress was next seen she was close at hand and making considerable headway.

It is declared the Storstad engines

were reversed and that her movement was never checked when the vessels came together.

As for the charge that the Storstad backed out of the hole she had torn in the Empress, the statement declares that it is not true. Her engines were ordered ahead to hold her against the liner's side, it is stated, but the headway the Empress was under twisted the collier's bow out of the gash.

Captain Anderson claims that he remained near the scene of the collision and he points to the fact that his ship saved 350 persons as proof of this assertion.

Rimouski People Thanked. Sir Thomas Shaughnessy, head of the Canadian Pacific Railway Co., issued a statement today thanking the people at Rimouski and its vicinity for the care and attention they gave to the living and dead that came to them from the company's ill-fated steamer, Empress of Ireland.

Author is Found. The body of Laurence Irving, the English author-actor, was picked up last night on the west bank of the St. Lawrence below Rimouski. This information reached Quebec today and was given out at the office of the Canadian Pacific railway.

Irving's face was bruised almost beyond recognition. A signet ring with the initials "L" on one of his fingers led to the identification. One hand still clutched a piece of cambric probably torn from the night gown of his wife whom he was making desperate efforts to save when they were last seen alive. Captain F. X. Pouliot of the government steamer Lady Evelyn reported today that she recovered the log book of the Empress of Ireland late Friday night while searching for bodies. The book was found in a water tight metal box.

PRIMARY VOTING IS NOT SPIRITED

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of Representative S. F. Prouty, who is seeking a place on the state supreme court bench. W. O. Payne of Nevada, C. C. Dowell of Des Moines, and J. I. Myerly, former postmaster of Des Moines and at present city commissioner, are the republican candidates.

George C. White of Nevada, has no opposition for the progressive nomination for governor, while Casper Shenck of Des Moines, and S. H. Bashor of Waterloo, are contesting for the progressive nomination for United States senator.

An entirely new state legislature will be elected. Interest in this feature of the primary was caused by the fight between the "dry" and "wets" interests of the state for control. Woman suffrage was also a dominant issue in the legislative campaign.

In addition to the senate and congressional races and the gubernatorial contest the parties will nominate candidates for secretary of state, auditor of state, treasurer of state, and attorney general. George Cosson at present attorney general and author of the so-called Cosson segregated vice district law, has no opposition for re-election in the republican ticket.

In Des Moines a special election is being held to determine whether or not the city shall own its own water plant.

Miss Veola Stewart returned yesterday to her home, 713 East Second street, from an extended stay in Chicago and points in Canada.

FIND BODY OF FRANCIS SECRESS

EDDYVILLE BOY DROWNS IN DES MOINES RIVER WHILE WADING.

Eddyville, May 30.—Francis Secress, the 13-year old son of Mr. and Mrs. Albert Secress was drowned in the Des Moines river at Eddyville about 4:30 o'clock Friday afternoon. The child had gone with a number of companions to the river to wade and ventured too far from the shore. Clifford Clark and Lloyd Kusart almost lost their lives in an effort to save their companion. The body was found about 7:30 last evening, near the spot where he went down. The parents are prostrated by the tragedy. Francis was a member of the eighth grade graduating class and took part in the exercises yesterday afternoon.

MT. PLEASANT HAS THREE SPEAKERS

Mt. Pleasant, June 1.—Special memorial services were conducted in this city by the members of the Grand Army of the Republic and the Women's Relief Corps in honor of the soldier dead of this county, Saturday, May 30. Services were held at Forest Home cemetery and the old city cemetery, where many of the men who responded to the call in '61 are buried. A special service was conducted by the Women's Relief Corps at the old cemetery in memory of the unknown dead. All graves were decorated. A chorus of school children participated in the ceremony. The principal speakers were the Rev. C. M. Rauch, Herbert Hines, Frank Weston and Superintendent of Schools Cruickshank.

FATHER WARD TO VISIT IN IRELAND

Iowa City, June 1.—Father Francis Ward of St. Patrick's church will leave Iowa City in June for Ireland, the land of his birth and ordination, to make his first visit in twenty-one years. The Rt. Rev. James Davis of Davenport has granted him an indefinite vacation on account of failing health.

Rev. Father Gaffney, now in Massachusetts, will return to Iowa City, and will fill the local pastorate during his absence.

HAMILTON ALBIA'S MEMORIAL SPEAKER

Albia, June 1.—There was an immense crowd in Albia Saturday to attend Decoration day exercises. Hon. Dan Hamilton delivered an address at King's opera house and the G. A. R. Sons of Veterans and the school children, headed by the Albia concert band, marched to the cemetery where the old soldiers' graves were decorated and a short service held.

COURIER TO PRINT WESTERN SERIAL

THRILLING STORY OF FRONTIER DAYS HAS BEEN SECURED FOR PUBLICATION.

In the course of the next few days The Courier will begin publication of its latest serial story feature, "The Vanguard, a Tale of the Old Frontier." Edgar Beecher Bronson is the author and the tale is a true one compiled from the notes of Clark B. Stocking, a frontier gunman, Indian fighter, outlaw exterminator, and professional pacifier who for fifty years was on the firing line of the great wild west. That truth is stranger and more interesting than fiction is no where more aptly illustrated than in The Vanguard. It is a story that answers all requirements. It has romance, it has adventure, it has history.

A. C. Leighton of this city, himself an authority on pioneer days in the west, has read the story at the request of The Courier and stamped it historically correct. Many of the central figures in the story were his personal acquaintances and reading The Vanguard was living over again the most interesting epoch in his life.

The Courier believes that in The Vanguard, it will give its subscribers something out of the ordinary and a story well worth reading.

ALBIA MAN SPEAKS AT BLOOMFIELD

Bloomfield, June 1.—The remaining veterans of the Elisha B. Townsend G. A. R. held a very appropriate memorial service in the court house Saturday afternoon. The services were opened by a quartet, after which Rev. J. P. Thomas offered prayer. Then a solo was sung by Miss Vern Cave-nough. L. C. Burton read Lincoln's Gettysburg speech. Attorney Everett of Albia delivered a very interesting address, after which the I. O. O. F. cemetery was visited and flowers were strewn on the resting places of the brave veterans. In the forenoon the members of the G. A. R. met and drove to the south cemetery in autos for the same purpose.

KEOKUK CO. BANK TO REMODEL BUILDING

Sigourney, June 1.—At a recent meeting of the board of directors of the Keokuk county state bank, the contract for the remodeling of their bank building was let to Architect D. T. Seger, Thursday evening. Mr. Seger went to Davenport to purchase the necessary irons, plate glass and other materials to be used in the remodeling of the building. Work on the building is to commence at once and it is expected that the work will be completed before the summer is over.

Mrs. Elizabeth Jones has returned to her home, 419 West Fourth street after a year's visit in Los Angeles, Cal.

Announcement

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