HEROES FROM CITY SPOTTED FOE 'BIRDS'

Philadelphians in Searchlight Unit, Colors Decorated, Land at Newport News

ILLUMINATED THE SKY

Philadelphians who served in the only American searchlight regiment, and one which bears on its colors the decoration of the Croix de Guerre, arrived today at Newport News, and will be demobilized in a few weeks.

The regiment is the Fifty-sixth Engineers, which fought with five British armies and three French army corps, and was cited by the French high command three times. The men who returned today were members of Headquarters Companies A, B and C, the last companies of the regiment to get home.

They returned on the Rijndam, which also brought several hospitals from France, among them Base Hospital 41, of the University of Virginia. This unit includes a Philadelphian, Sergeant Bruce C. Lightner, of 26 Millbourne avenue.

Many Philadelphians also were among the casuals aboard, coming home as members of Casual Company 636.

Picked Out German "Birds."

The men of the Fifty-sixth Engineers saw as thrilling service as any which fell to the lot of an American regiment. Their work was to illuminate the sky at night in search of German air raiders. They did their work in the face of tremendous hazards at St. Mihiel, Amiens and in many other sectors.

In four nights at St. Mihiel these three companies of the Fifty-sixth discovered and illuminated with their huge searchlights fifty-four "birds," as the night-flying German raiders were called. One of these was brought to earth by rifle-fire from the company, a feat rarely duplicated during the war.

The regiment took a thrilling part in the Muse-Argonne flensive, covering the entire front of the first American army and a part of the second. Their work was recognized in many citations, and a score of the men wear French and American decorations for gallantry.

The Rijndam brought home also some hundreds of sick and wounded men, and about fifty Red Cross nurses.

Philadelphians on Ship

Among the Philadelphians on the transport were:

Fifty-sixth Engineers—William F. Bradley, West Philadelphia; Second Lieutenant Albert E. Fawley, 5133 Parrish street, West Philadelphia; Edward Faltenbacher, 45 East Bringhurst street; George F. Kraft, 3630 North Seventeenth street; Albert J. Moser, 2140 North Park avenue; Charles Garabarini, 1305 Morris street; George F. Lemon, 4161 Terrace street; Peter Mintions, 3004 North Fourth street; William Carroll, 2135 South Third street; Vincent J. Griffin, 5543 Devon street, Germantown.

Gerard T. Steib, 1441 North Fifth street; Joseph L. Graham, 1739 South Mole street; Daniel J. Coilem, 1808 North Twenty-eighth street; Joseph Giandonato, 1517 South Sixteenth street; Harry G. Wren, 25 South Sixty-first street; Second Lieutenant Alonzo J. Parsons, 4037 Spruce street; John A. Bauer, 2749 North Gratz street; Charles F. Kilroy, 2405 East Huntingdon street; Harry L. Bowe, 2641 Girard avenue; George R. Kreustle, 4300 North Darien street.

Edward Seibold, 3008 Emerald street; John P. Drew, 414 North Fifty-eighth street; Edward K. Maybin, 219 North Eleventh street; James Crow, 1141 South Twenty-third street; Charles A. Barnes, 2350 South Lee street; Daniel J. Barr, 2602 South Mildred street; Harry R. Eastlack, 1489 North Fifty-third street; Harold S. Cunneffe, 126 Race street; Frederick Armstrong, 3942 North Eighth street; James J. Fichol, 2015 Tasker street; Howard R. Rudolph, 2951 Boudinot street.

Harlick French, 5212 Kershaw street; John M. Jack, 2079 Granite street; Alexander C. Bockeiman, 1115 Shunk street; James G. McNeilis, 7231 Boyer street, Mt. Airy; Alfred Boone; Patrick F. Bodkin, 2318 South Third street; Robert H. Stein, 2304 Oxford street; Daniel E. Stewart, 129 East Maryland street; Grover C. Keuhne, 838 North Twenty-first street; Raymond Kemmerle, 6629 Ross street.

Casual Company 636—William G. Coope, 2210 North Camac street; Harry Kessler, 2568 North Hollywood street; Herbert E. Ryan, 2506 Oxford street; David D. Daley, Nikola Di Campli, 1533 South Monton street; Victor W. Gibson, 847 North Twenty-ninth street; John E. Griffith, 5723 North Second street; Harry C. Scanlon, 557 West Somerset street; Robert V. Chapman, 5525 Walnut street.

SPROUL AT COMMENCEMENT

Williamson School

The Williamson Free School of Mechanical Trades held its twenty-sixth annual commencement this afternoon at 2 o'clock in the school auditorium.

John Wanamaker, chairman of the board, presided, and an address was delivered by William C. L. Eglin, vice president of the Philadelphia Electric Company. Governor Sproul, who has returned from Hot Springs, Va., the John M. Shrigley memorial tablet in behalf of the Shrigley family.

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BIDDLE'S TROPHIES IN VICTORY EXHIBIT

Blood of Fallen Foe on War Relics Brought Back by Philadelphia Ace

Effingham B. Morris, president of the Girard Trust Company, is displaying some unusual war trophies loaned by Major Charles J. Biddle. One is a German aviator's map, stained with the blood of its one-time owner, brought down by Major Biddle.

The battle took place on August 16, 1918, in the St. Mihiel sector at a height of 12,000 feet. The German's altimeter recorded the height at which the fight was fought. Four thousand meters was the altitude registered as the highest point. Then came a sudden, almost perpendicular fall. It was here that Major Biddle's bullet struck the pilot, after killing the observer, whose blood streamed over his map of the Allied fields.

The pilot, mortally wounded, lost control of his machine and fell, with the body of his comrade, down, down through 12,000 feet of space, with Major Biddle in pursuit, within the Allied lines. The empty drum of cartridges from the German observer's machine, showing the bullet hole through which his weapon was put out of action, also hangs on the wall of the bank. The emptied portion of the band shows that forty-four cartridges were fired at Major Biddle before he "got" the German. And each of these cartridges was a black-nosed, high explosive and incendiary shell. Had one of them struck Major Biddle in the thigh, for instance, it would not merely have disabled him, as an American aviator's bullet would, but would have blown his leg off.

The German's two machine guns, the observer's camera pierced with two shells, and the rudder of the airplane, with the black cross on it, the mark of German battle planes, are also on exhibit in connection with the Victory Loan campaign. These souvenirs of the war in which Major Biddle shot down seven enemy planes that fell within Allied lines and a number of others unofficially credited to him because they fell in the enemy's fields, the hero values more than untold treasures. They will go down to his posterity among Major Biddle's proudest possessions.

NAVY YARD STAYS CLOSED

Public Not to Be Admitted Tomorrow, Says Commandant

Visitors will not be admitted to the Philadelphia Navy Yard tomorrow, Admiral Hughes, commandant of the yard and head of this Naval District, announced today that the rule which has been in force during the war against the admission of civilians would be maintained for the present.

Philadelphians have been waiting eagerly for the privilege of visiting the Philadelphia Navy Yard, which has been developed into one of the greatest yards in the United States since the war. Because of wartime necessity only workmen and others having business there were admitted while the war was on.

Admiral Hughes said the yard would be thrown open to the public as soon as possible, but it might be several more months before this time arrives. The yard, the admiral added, positively will not be open tomorrow.

AUTOS INJURE SIX IN LAST 24 HOURS

Man 75 Years Old Among Victims of Accidents in Various Sections

Six persons were injured in automobile accidents during the last twenty-four hours.

The injured are:

Irwin McClellan, seventy-five years old, of 1733 Wolf street.

Richard Fields, of Chadwick street.

Mrs. Howard Diltworth, Bryn Mawr.

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Fanny Baslan, twenty-three years old, of 718 Wolf street.

Rae Goodman, nineteen years old, of 1512 South Fourth street.

Mr. McClellan was struck by a motortruck yesterday near Point Breeze Park. The injured man was on his way to his home when the accident happened. George Keyburn, of Twenty-fifth street near Wallace, drove Mr. McClellan to the Methodist Episcopal Hospital, and then surrendered to the police of the Twenty-eighth and Ritner streets station. Physicians at the hospital pronounce Mr. McClellan's condition serious because of his advanced age.

When a motortruck on which he was riding got beyond control Richard Fields was thrown through a hedge and struck a stone wall, injuring his head. The truck was traveling on Wynnewood road hill in Haverford township yesterday at the time of the accident. Mr. Fields was taken to the Bryn Mawr Hospital. John Rinehart, the driver, is being held by the Haverford township police to await the result of Mr. Fields's injuries.

Howard Diltworth, chauffeur for Mrs. B. Frank Clyde, and his wife were slightly injured yesterday when caught under a light touring car when it collided with a heavy machine driven by Dr. R. K. Wilbur, of Rosemont. The accident occurred in Bryn Mawr near Mrs. Clyde's home. The touring car, the property of Mrs. Clyde, was wrecked.

Fanny Baslan and Rae Goodman were knocked down by an automobile while attempting to cross Market street at Fifth. They were taken to the Jefferson Hospital. David Crumley, of Spencer terrace, the driver, was held in $500 bail by Magistrate Mecleary to await the result of the girls' injuries.

527 DIE HERE IN WEEK

Tuberculosis of Lungs and Heart Disease Principal Causes of Deaths

Death throughout the city during the week numbered 527 as compared with 578 last week and 610 during the corresponding week last year. They were divided as follows: Males, 272; females, 255; boys, 77, and girls, 64.

The causes of death were:

Typhoid fever	1
Measles	2
Scarlet fever	2
Whooping cough	1
Diphtheria and croup	15
Influenza	34
Tuberculosis of the lungs	32
Tuberculous meningitis	2
Other forms of tuberculosis	2
Cancer	34
Simple meningitis	3
Apoplexy and softening of brain	16
Organic diseases of the heart	57
Acute bronchitis	1
Chronic bronchitis	4
Pneumonia	34
Bronchopneumonia	32
Disease of the respiratory system	1
Diarrhoea and enteritis	6
Appendicitis and typhlitis	2
Hernia	1
Cirrhosis of the liver	3
Acute nephritis and Bright's disease	38
Nonmalignant tumors	3
Puerperal septicaemia	1
Puerperal accidents	2
Congenital debility and malformations	27
Senility	4
Homicide	1
All other violent deaths	43
Suicide	7
All other diseases	72
Coroner's cases pending	1
Total	527

$4000 ESTATE TO CHARITY

Catholic Extension Society Benefits by Will of Woman

With the exception of a $50 bequest to the Purgatorian Society, the $4050 estate of Elizabeth M. Kernan, 2426 North Broad street, goes to the Catholic Church Extension Society under the provisions of the will probated today.

Other wills probated were those of Frederick Oechler, 2544 North Seventeenth street, which, in private bequests, disposes of property valued at $32,200; Giuseppi D. Amico, 1326 South Eighth street, $3000, and Gaetano Roberto, 405 Simpson street, $2500.

The personalty of the estates of Elizabeth Felton and Isidor Neumann have been appraised at $22,355.92 and $4,676.11, respectively.

SALOON IS HELD UP BY MASKED BANDITS

$185 Taken From Cash Register in Place at Seventh Street and Fairmount Avenue

MAN IN SUBWAY IS ROBBED

Masked bandits today held up and robbed the saloon of the estate of James Cotter, at Seventh street and Fairmount avenue, obtaining $184 from the cash register.

Another hold-up occurred in the subway at Eleventh and Market streets, when a highwayman beat and robbed a pedestrian, escaping with $110 cash and a gold watch and chain.

With handkerchiefs tied over their faces, four men entered the Cotter saloon and pointed revolvers at Neal Callahan, the bartender. While Callahan was kept "covered" by one of the men the others rifled the cash register of $185 in cash.

The bandits backed through the door after the robbery and ran down the street. Callahan immediately notified the police of the Tenth and Buttonwood streets police station, who are investigating the case. No arrests have been made as yet.

According to Callahan he was alone in the saloon at the time. The door suddenly opened and the four men filed in, the face of each hidden behind a handkerchief. They carried revolvers in their hands and one of the men backed him into a corner of the room.

"Keep quiet and don't make a sound," he was cautioned by one of the men. The cash register was rifled in a few minutes. Callahan could not identify any of the men.

John Carroll, of 16 Stewart street, Darby, was the victim of the highwayman in the subway shortly after two o'clock. He had entered the subway to take a train for home when the highwayman approached him and demanded that he turn over his valuables.

Carroll resisted and the man drew a blackjack, striking him over the head. Carroll was badly cut about the body and face and finally rendered unconscious when the thief went through his clothes and obtained his valuables.

According to the police, William Dooley, of 2204 North Sixth street, arrived in the subway entrance just as the thief had finished rifling Carroll's pockets, and gave the alarm, but the man escaped.

U. S. CONSUL ROBBED WHILE VISITING HERE

James J. Murphy, Jr., Home From Genoa, Loses Trunk Containing War Relics

While James J. Murphy, Jr., United States vice consul at Genoa, who is home on leave, was visiting Court Clerk John Burns, of 727 North Seventeenth street, thieves stole a trunk from his automobile which was standing at the door.

Mr. Murphy had just arrived in Philadelphia. He was met at the station by his brother, his two trunks were fastened on the back of the machine and they then drove to Mr. Burns's home. When Mr. Murphy left the house on North Seventeenth street he discovered his loss. The contents of the trunk included a large part of the consul's wardrobe and souvenirs which he had collected on the Austrian battlefront.

The police of the Nineteenth and Oxford streets station found the empty trunk yesterday.

James Greene, owner of a garage at Thirteenth and Summer streets, and Edward Rossman, an employe, were arrested last night on the charge of having in their possession nine stolen automobiles.

They will be arraigned before Magistrate Mecleary, at the Central Station, this morning.

The arrests were made by Acting Lieutenant McCarrack, of the Second district police station, and Detective Le Strange, of the Detective Bureau.

Four of the nine supposedly stolen cars found in the garage were identified as those reported stolen last week.

FORMER JUDGE REED SPROUL'S FAVORITE FOR SERVICE BOARD

Governor Has Almost Decided to Name Clearfield Man to Place McClure Held

Governor Sproul made it known today he had about decided on the appointment of former Judge John M. Reed, Clearfield, to the vacancy on the public service commission created by the recent death of former Judge Harold M. McClure.

Though the Governor did not announce definitely he had made the appointment, what he said confirms rumors current this last week. Former Judge Reed was on the bench in the Jefferson-Indiana district, and is widely known in the western part of the state. He was defeated for re-election to the bench in the last election owing to a factional fight. He moved to Clearfield after he left the bench.

Former Judge McClure died suddenly a few weeks ago, shortly after he had been reappointed for a full term to the public service commission.

Governor Sproul went today to unveil a memorial tablet at the Williamson Trade School, Delaware county. Before going he said he would motor to Harrisburg either Sunday or Monday.

"I have no appointments to see either Senator Penrose or Senator Vare," said the Governor. "I expect to see them both, however, when I reach Harrisburg."

CROIX FOR MAJOR PIERSON

Posthumous Award to Former University Professor Slain in Battle

Provost Smith, of the University of Pennsylvania, announced that the French Government had awarded posthumously the Croix de Guerre with gilt star to Major Ward W. Pierson, 315th Infantry, who was killed in action. He was formerly a professor in the Wharton School, was promoted on the field for gallantry in action, personally cited by General Pershing and awarded the Distinguished Service Cross.

The citation reads as follows: "November 8 and 9, near Etraye, he always displayed remarkable skill and courage. Particularly distinguished himself by his coolness and bravery during reconnoissance during which he fell gloriously on the field of honor."

The citation is signed by Marshal Petain, commander-in-chief of the French armies of the east.

Woman Dies of Burns

Celia Hicks, fifty-six years old, a negro, 533 Morris street, died today in Mt. Sinai Hospital as the result of burns received a few days ago when her clothes caught fire from a gas jet.

5 "FIGHTING DEVILS" HOME WITH HONORS

Hammonton Youths Who Enlisted Together Return Wearing French War Crosses

GUARDED KING GEORGE V

Five soldiers of Hammonton, N. J., who volunteered together June 11, 1917, for overseas service, have returned to their home town with the honors of war. All are tried and tested heroes, and all wear the French war medal for heroic action at the front.

The "Fighting Devils of Hammonton," as they are called, are Albert Jannett, Verril Beverage, William Tell, Michael Gissiri and Charles T. Delkin. They were attached to the S. S. V., 316th Blue Devils Division of the French army.

The Hammonton soldiers enlisted with the University of Pennsylvania ambulance corps and trained until December 25, 1917, when the unit sailed for overseas. Shortly after they arrived all were transferred to the Blue Devil Division of the French army, where they served with gallantry until the end of the war. The section to which they were attached was three times cited by French army officials for gallant conduct. This section formed a part of the guard of honor for King George on the occasion of one of his visits to Paris.

The most thrilling thing that came under the observation of the "Five" was the complete destruction of a hospital near where they were stationed ten days before the armistice. Four twelve-inch shells fell directly on the hospital, demolishing the building and killing 150 men, most of whom were lying in the wounded wards. Three ambulances were destroyed. The shells, say the returned veterans, were fired from a distance of three miles and aimed at the hospital. Ordinarily shells of this caliber are fired at a distance of twelve miles.

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