

CROWELL IN WRECK AS AIR RACE BEGINS

Plane Falls 150 Feet, but Assistant Secretary of War Escapes Injury

COAST-TO-COAST SKY DERBY

By the Associated Press. Mineola, N. Y., Oct. 8.—An airplane piloted by Lieutenant Maurice Cleary and carrying Benedict Crowell, assistant secretary of war, as a passenger fell from a height of 150 feet shortly before noon today and was wrecked. It landed upside down. Mr. Crowell and Lieutenant Cleary were badly shaken up, but were otherwise unharmed.

Mr. Crowell served as official starter of the transcontinental derby, the greatest aviation contest in history, in which nearly 100 army airplanes are participating. About sixty of them started from here this morning for a flight to San Francisco and return. The others are coming here from San Francisco and will go back to the Pacific coast.

The assistant secretary of war decided to take a brief flight after most of the contestants had started. He and Lieutenant Cleary were strapped in the machine, but climbed out unaided a few seconds after it had crashed to the earth. The war official's first remark after regaining his feet was: "I'm sorry the ride was so short. It was certainly one of the shortest on record."

The machine had been in the air less than a minute. Mr. Crowell said he would make a flight in another machine later in the day. The pilot, explaining the accident, said the engine stopped and in order to avoid running into a hangar and injuring a number of persons he was forced to turn the machine abruptly around with the result that it toppled over. The wrecked machine was not in the race.

Machle Is First to Start. Lieutenant J. R. Machle, in a De Havilland 4 machine equipped with a Liberty motor, was the first to leave Mineola, starting at 9:10 a. m. Sergeant Jesse D. McClure accompanied him.

As each machine took the air it quickly climbed to a high altitude and within a few minutes was lost to view. The crowd on Roosevelt field was kept back a distance of nearly a mile from the starting point and was apprised by army messengers of the departure of each competitor. A number could not be discerned owing to the haze.

Lieutenant Colonel H. E. Hartney was the second to leave. He got away at 9:13 a. m. Then followed Lieutenant L. S. Webster, 9:14; Major Harry Smith, 9:14:35; Lieutenant H. D. Norris, 9:15; Captain B. C. Drayton, 9:15; Lieutenant Colonel T. S. Bowen, 9:16; Major H. J. F. Miller, 9:20; Lieutenant B. W. Maxnard, 9:24; Air Commodore L. E. O. Charlton, 9:34.

Three planes had reached Binghamton by 11 o'clock and at 12:14 a Fokker, piloted by Colonel Hartney, arrived at Rochester.

Lieutenant Maxnard reached Rochester at 12:18 o'clock, carrying a German police dog.

Ten machines, all of which flew in a northwesterly direction, had left the field by 9:55 a. m. maintaining a speed of 120 to 150 miles an hour.

Flying Conditions Excellent. Because of the fine flying conditions army officials predicted many of the contestants would reach Cleveland by nightfall.

The race gives the false impression that aerial activity in the United States is greater than anywhere else in the world, said Mr. Crowell.

The contest, which is limited to military aviators, is for the purpose of testing the reliability of the planes and stimulating interest in recruiting for the air service.

Ten different types of machines were represented in the entries. Some had seen active service on the battle front. Three of the planes entered are German Fokkers, captured almost intact by the western front. French, British and Italian machines also are entered.

Will Test Liberty Motor. Most of the American entries are equipped with the famous Liberty motor developed by America during the war. The race will afford a good opportunity to test its qualities against the best types of foreign makes.

Although prizes totaling \$60,000 had been offered by the American Flying Club and private individuals for the winners of the contest, Major General Charles T. Menoher, chief of the army air service, has ruled that they could never, that there would be ratings for three competitions each way.

These include a time competition for the pilot crossing the continent in the shortest time irrespective of stops and actual flying time; a speed contest for the pilot making the trip in the shortest flying time, and a handicap competition based on actual flying time, but with each class or type of machine to be given a handicap percentage based upon its reputed speed as computed by the technical section in its official tests.

San Francisco, Oct. 8.—(By A. P.)—Lieutenant J. P. Richter, piloting a De Havilland airplane, with Lieutenant J. B. Patrick as observer, leaving the ground at 6:51 a. m. today, was the first of the aviators to "hop off" in the 2700-mile race to Mineola, N. Y.

Cadet D. A. Cardiff was second to take the air. He left at 6:52. His plane carried no observer. The first six machines took the air in less than five minutes and they were closely followed by three more.

Thirty-seven minutes after Lieutenant E. C. Kiel started, he reached Sacramento, being the first to land at this official resting point, seventy-five miles from here. Others arrived at intervals of a few minutes.

Within fifteen minutes a total of fourteen machines had left San Francisco. The fifteenth machine was delayed in starting forty minutes on account of motor trouble.

The sixteenth and last entry, a Fokker plane, piloted by Lieutenant F. W. Siefert, had not arrived from San Diego in time for the start. Army officers said that if he arrived before sunrise he would participate in the race.



LOUIS LUKES Former proprietor of the Hotel Walton in this city and now of the Hotel Brunswick, Lancaster, Pa., who was elected president of the Pennsylvania State Hotel Men's Association for the fifth term at the sixteenth annual meeting held in the First Regiment Armory.

MRS. VANDERBILT WINS DIVORCE ON DESERTION CHARGE

Left Stranded in Paris, Ignored in New York Says Wife

Newport, R. I., Oct. 8.—Mrs. Reginald C. Vanderbilt, formerly Miss Catherine Nelson, was granted an interlocutory decree of divorce with the custody of her fifteen-year-old daughter, Catherine, in the Superior Court yesterday.

The decree, which was granted on the ground of desertion, was based on three sworn depositions filed by Mrs. Vanderbilt. There was no defense. The divorce will be made final in six months, after which both parties will be free to marry.

No alimony was asked for, Mr. Vanderbilt having settled a sum of money on his wife for her own support and the maintenance and education of their daughter. The amount is said to be large enough to make both independent for life.

The depositions in proof of Mrs. Vanderbilt's claim of desertion were by the plaintiff, Mrs. S. B. Preston, of New York, and Miss Gabriele Anant, governess of Catherine Vanderbilt.

Moore Pleads for Republican Harmony

Continued From Page One. on guard against apathy and indifference in the election. The big battle was at the primaries, but the end is not yet, and will not be until November 4.

Council to Back Charter. "It is my confident belief that all the candidates on the Republican ticket will be elected and that the new councilman body will be in sympathy with the aims of the administration to make the new city charter effective. To make good the victory that has thus far been achieved, it will be necessary to enlist the support of all existing committees no matter upon which side they fought, in the primaries. It is no time for bickering or division in the ranks."

Interpret the verdict of those who spoke at the Republican primaries as favoring a united Republican party. Their standard bearers will expect them in due course to assume the responsibilities of their respective offices, but it is up to active energetic committees like yours to continue your labors until the verdict at the primaries is confirmed by the people on November 4.

Mr. Moore then referred to the widespread interest in the Philadelphia contest and said it was but the forerunner in Pennsylvania of the presidential contest of 1920. It was particularly because of those broader interests that so much attention throughout the nation had been paid to the Philadelphia fight, he said.

Resolution Is Adopted. The alliance resolution adopted here reads:

"Whereas, For years the Republican party in Philadelphia has been one by a better state which made it possible for it to exert the vast influence in national affairs to which it is entitled, and

"Whereas, These factional differences injured the party and retarded the proper development of the city of Philadelphia as well as forced upon thousands of good Republicans the almost choice of being divided into the almost choice of joining one or the other factions or taking no part in the affairs of the party, and

"Whereas, The full strength of the Republican party in Philadelphia will be needed for the national campaign next year, a Republican President may be elected and the country delivered from Democratic misrule, and

"Resolved, That the Republican Alliance formally and heartily indorses every candidate on the Republican ticket as chosen at the recent primary and pledges itself to make every effort to bring about the election of these men at the general election, in order that the Republican party in Philadelphia may be delivered of the political bitterness which has heretofore split it."

Those Wicked Sophomores! Freshmen at the University of Pennsylvania are being watched over today by a "vigilance committee" to prevent necktie-cutting by sophomores. Their complaint is that the hazing of the older students causes expense which some students are not able to bear.

The embattled freshmen have the support of some of the sophomores and the Pennsylvanians, the students' daily newspaper.

F. X. Renninger in Smash-Up. Frank X. Renninger, assistant district attorney of Montgomery county and Republican nominee for district attorney, was slightly injured last night when the automobile in which he was riding with his brother Harry, met in collision with an ambulance at Marshall and DeKalb streets, Norris-

VARE CONCEDES COUNT IS CORRECT

Declares Efforts to Secure a Re-check of Ballots Were Fully Justified

COMPILING OF VOTE DRAGS

Senator Vare in an interview today commented on the result of the official count in confirming the nomination of Congressman Moore for Mayor and declared that the efforts to secure a correct count were fully justified.

"It makes every one feel that the count is correct," he said. "Friends of the senator pointed to the phrase, 'the count at least.'"

The senator's comment was in reply to a question asking for a statement on the results of the count in the light of what had been expected by Vare supporters.

Vare Writes Answer. Senator Vare said he would read and write down the answer himself. Thereupon he took a pen and wrote the answer, as follows:

"The count just about closing shows that there was not much gain for Peterson and Wade. It was a good thing, however, to have the boxes opened and recounted, where the police returned showed apparent shortage or mistakes. "It makes every one feel now that the count at least is correct, and when it is considered that the change of less than 1000 votes would have changed the result it was the more necessary to do everything necessary to show those who won by a few hundred and those who lost by a few hundred that the count was correct."

Establishment of schools for training hotel employees was urged today by A. Conrad Ekholm, president of the Avenue Hotel Men's Association of Atlantic City. He was speaking before the Pennsylvania Hotel Men's convention at the First Regiment Armory, Broad and Callowhill streets. Mr. Ekholm also advocated more extensive use of vacation clubs which provide a fund for vacation time in summer.

Of the employees' training school, Mr. Ekholm declared such a practice would provide better employees for the hotels of the country and also eradicate many of the radical tendencies that now prevail among such workers. He said the course of instruction should be so devised as to provide for all classes of hotel employees.

The vacation club proposal struck a popular chord with the convention attendants. He said: "I would not be surprised if some day of the not distant future we will have vacation clubs operating in different parts of the country much the same way as we now have Christmas clubs."

I believe we will have some enterprising company or companies spring up under some such name as the First National Vacation Insurance Company or the Vacation Insurance Company of America. Why not? I believe people will invest more readily in an insurance policy which provides for a vacation to the beneficiary than in insurance policies which promise some benefit to those who are left behind."

Computation of the official returns may take a day or even two days longer. The election return court has been sitting almost continuously for three weeks, but opening of the ballot boxes by the Vate organization and the failure of election officers to comply with the new Daily-Ready law and return unused ballots has delayed the count.

Penn Hero Cited in Senate Fight

Continued From Page One. to get his case reopened, but was unsuccessful.

"After four months of hard work with a pick and shovel, I decided to make a break for it," he said today, "and shortly after, when the squad in which I was working was passing a forest, I ducked into it, right under the eyes of the guards."

Edwards to Speak in Camden. Edward I. Edwards, the Democratic candidate for governor of New Jersey, will visit Camden county on Monday next. He will visit Camden and Gloucester. He will probably speak at both of the shipyards and, according to the advance information, he will tell the shipyard workers and others that he will go after the Public Utility Commission and see that the people's interests are well taken care of if he is elected next month.

Park Guards Appointed. Five vacancies in the ranks of the park guards, due to resignations and deaths, have been filled by the committee on superintendence and police of the Fairmount Park Commission. The new appointees are Joseph M. Kelly, J. P. Walsh, Clarence Baldwin, George R. Lawrence and Elmer Brock.

WOMEN'S REPUBLICAN CLUB NOT BOUND BY FACTIONALISM

Mrs. Archibald R. Harmon President of First Feminine Political Organization Here—Seek Charter

"Members of the Women's Republican Club will not be bound by any factional fight," says Mrs. Archibald R. Harmon, president of the new organization, which is seeking a state charter. This is the first women's political club in Philadelphia and it plans to spread not only through every ward of the larger cities of the state, but also through all the senatorial districts for the education of women in their responsibility of electorship.

"Our first meeting for the formation of by-laws will probably be held next week," says Mrs. Harmon, "and we shall then take up the question of dues and a clubhouse. We expect to have a home of our own, probably somewhere on Broad street near the center of town."

"In the city our organization will be by wards. The chairman of each ward will be a member of the executive committee. We shall spread throughout the state. "Our purpose is to carry on educational work for the improvement of citizenship, to unite in fellowship the Republican women of Pennsylvania, to teach parliamentary law, the inspiration and value of pulling together and educate the women to assume their responsibility of electorship. We intend to co-operate for the good of the community and social helpfulness. "The influence of the whole association will be for the re-ordination of this great commonwealth into a better and greater state."

As outlined in the charter, the new club is an association "for social enjoyment, the advancement of good citizenship, the promotion of patriotism and the general welfare of its members by means of literature, lectures, debates and to urge its members to honest and unselfish, active participation in the nomination and election of worthy candidates for public office."

The local organization has been under way for some time, and the active participation is expected to commence in time to affect the coming local election.

The petitioners for the charter include Mrs. Archibald R. Harmon, president; Mrs. George Bowler Tullidge, vice president; Miss Mary Collins Lyons, recording secretary; Miss Helen Thomas B. White, Mrs. Thomas Firth, Miss Esther R. Sher, Mrs. Edward M. Mail, Mrs. George W. Crumhart, Mrs. Margaret Mullen, Mrs. Andrew Lippi, Mrs. Laura T. Stone, Mrs. Charles Sessler, Mrs. Wilmer Krusen, Mrs. Robert C. Parrish, Mrs. M. Y. Smith, Miss Cecelia Bass, Miss Caroline K. Kenworthy and Mrs. Evan Pennock.

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MAYOR SMITH VISITS ITALIAN WAR VESSEL

Greeted by Admiral Ugo Conz on Board the Conte di Cavour. Expresses His Pleasure

Mayor Smith paid an official call upon Admiral Ugo Conz, commandant of the Italian cruiser Conte di Cavour, lying at Christian street wharf, today. He was accompanied by other city officials, including Director Krusen, of the Health Department; Director Dutesman, of the Department of Public Works; Director Twining, of the Department of City Transit; Director Wilson, of the Department of Safety; Director MacLaughlin, of the Department of Supplies, and Joseph Smith, the Mayor's secretary.

The crew of the cruiser, drawn up upon the upper deck, stood at salute as the Mayor and his official associates boarded the vessel and were met by Admiral Conz. Their stay on board was brief, and on departing, Mayor Smith declared his visit had been enjoyable.

Official Figures for First Six World's Series Games. FIRST GAME. Played at Cincinnati. Score—Cincinnati, 9; Chicago, 1.

BATTERIES. Cincinnati—Butcher and Wingo. Chicago—Clement, Wilkison, Lowmire and Schalk. Paid attendance, 20,511. Total receipts exclusive of war tax, \$89,778.00. Players' share, \$5,840.15. Clubs' share, \$83,937.85. National Commission's share, 9,877.80.

SECOND GAME. Played at Cincinnati. Score—Cincinnati, 3; Chicago, 2.

BATTERIES. Cincinnati—Sallee and Kariden. Chicago—Clement, Wilkison, Lowmire and Schalk. Paid attendance, 20,690. Total receipts exclusive of war tax, \$97,156.00. Players' share, \$5,425.44. Clubs' share, \$91,730.56. National Commission's share, 9,715.60.

THIRD GAME. Played at Chicago. Score—Chicago, 3; Cincinnati, 0.

BATTERIES. Chicago—Kerr and Schalk. Cincinnati—Fisher, Lingo and Kariden. Paid attendance, 22,126. Total receipts exclusive of war tax, \$97,156.00. Players' share, \$5,815.55. Clubs' share, \$91,340.45. National Commission's share, 9,556.90.

FOURTH GAME. Played at Chicago. Score—Chicago, 2; Cincinnati, 0.

BATTERIES. Cincinnati—Kling and Wingo. Chicago—Clement and Schalk. Paid attendance, 34,363. Total receipts exclusive of war tax, \$97,807.00. Players' share, \$5,815.55. Clubs' share, \$91,991.45. National Commission's share, 9,780.70.

FIFTH GAME. Played at Chicago. Score—Chicago, 9; Cincinnati, 0.

BATTERIES. Chicago—Kerr and Kariden. Cincinnati—Fisher, Lingo and Moyer and Schalk and Lingo. Paid attendance, 34,379. Total receipts exclusive of war tax, \$97,807.00. Players' share, \$5,838.06. Clubs' share, \$91,968.94. National Commission's share, 9,784.00.

SIXTH GAME. Played at Cincinnati. Score—Chicago, 5; Cincinnati, 4.

BATTERIES. Cincinnati—Butcher and Wingo. Chicago—Kerr and Schalk. Paid attendance, 23,096. Total receipts exclusive of war tax, \$101,708.00. Players' share, \$5,815.55. Clubs' share, \$95,892.45. National Commission's share, 9,800.00.

TOTALS FOR SIX GAMES. Attendance, 178,073. Gross receipts, \$588,897.00. Players' share, \$30,519.60. Commission's share, \$28,389.70. Clubs' share (two leagues), \$266,157.60.

DIAMOND WEDDING RINGS

J. E. CALDWELL & CO. JEWELERS—SILVERSMITHS—STATIONERS CHESTNUT AND JUNIPER STREETS

ANOTHER SMASH-UP ON GRADE CROSSING

Truck Hit by P. and R. Train Two Miles From Where Two Women Were Killed Monday

DRIVER IS SLIGHTLY HURT

Another grade crossing accident occurred today within two miles of the spot where two women were killed in a similar accident on Monday.

Peter Crator, thirty years old, a chauffeur for the John Schlemmer Construction Company, drove a large motor truck directly in front of a Reading Railway express about fifty yards from the Ardley station.

The truck was carried more than 150 feet by the engine and was smashed to bits. Crator was dug out of the wreckage with only a few bruises. He refused to go to a hospital.

Crator was on his way to Ardley, near Glenside, and was going down a steep grade along the Edge Hill road. The Reading train, led by the Willam Grove division cross the road north of Ardley Station.

The grade crossing at that point is unprotected. There are no warning signals or watchman.

The engine had not put on full speed when the crash occurred. The truck was badly smashed and the wreckage carried along by the engine.

Crator managed to retain his seat in front of the truck.

He said he did not see the approaching train until after he had started to cross the tracks. It was then too late, he said.

The crossing where the accident occurred is two miles from Orland station, on the North Penn division of the Reading Railway, where Miss Elizabeth D. Lockwood and Miss Julia B. Leare were killed Monday night when their auto was struck by a train.

The accident today has stimulated business men's associations and improvement bodies in the York road suburban section to demand immediate removal of all grade crossings along the Reading line.

Patrol services for Miss Lockwood and Miss Leare will be held tomorrow afternoon, at 2 o'clock.

Miss Lockwood, who was forty-five years old, will be buried from the home of her mother at 7811 St. Martin's lane. Interment will be private. Miss Leare will be buried from the chapel of St. W. Atkinson, at Doylestown. Interment also will be private. Miss Leare lived at the School Lane Apartments.

Means of putting an end to the railroad grade-crossing peril will be discussed at a special meeting of the Chestnut Hill Business Men's Association at 8:30 o'clock Friday night.

The meeting will be held at the home of Councilman Pringle Bortwick, 8018 Germantown avenue.

James McCre, chairman of the association's grade-crossing committee, and others who are interested in the fight against dangerous crossings will deliver addresses.

SEEKS LEAK, BANG!!!

Baker Crawls Under Auto With Lighted Candle—Now in Hospital. Harry Schwartz, fifty-four years old, 820 North Eleventh street, got under his automobile today with a lighted candle in search of a leak in the gasoline tank.

He found the leak and afterward found himself in the Women's Homeopathic Hospital, where he is expected to recover from severe burns about the head, face and shoulders.

The automobile was badly damaged by the explosion, which, fortunately for the seeker for knowledge, blew upward.

The explosion occurred at Oval and York streets. Schwartz is a baker and the machine was a truck used by him in delivering orders.

Taxi Hearing Here October 24-25. A two days' hearing on the local taxicab situation was announced today by Samuel M. Clement, Jr., of the Public Service Commission. Commissioners Clement and Bran will sit in City Hall, October 24 and 25, and investigate reports charged in this city. Companies that will be summoned to appear will be the Quaker City, American and Liberty, while more than 300 independents who have no regular stands will be given an opportunity to be heard.

FINED ON CRUELTY CHARGE

Frank Andriola, twenty years old, of Montrose street near Twelfth, and Nicholas Andriola, seventeen, of the same address, were fined \$10 and costs by Magistrate Wrigler at the German town avenue and Locoyne street station today on the charge of cruelty to animals. The Andriolas were arrested yesterday by Patrolman Winchester, who charged that they were driving horses greatly overladen.

SEEK FUND FOR ACTORS FUND

Subscriptions for the Actors' Fund, appeals to be made on the ground of war services given by members of the profession, are shortly to be asked of Philadelphia's Daniel Frohman, Oliver C. Jones and W. Ward Smith will come to this city tomorrow to make final arrangements for the drive. Governor Sproul, one of the thirty-two members of the governor's committee of the fund, has been advised of their coming. The drive in New York began yesterday.

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MRS. PAUL DENCKLA MILLS Chairman of the Main Line campaign committee in the drive for the Bryn Mawr Hospital fund

HOSPITAL OPENS DRIVE