



## CITY PAYS HOMAGE TO FALLEN HEROES

### Showers Fail to Check Ardor of Day's Celebrants.

## PARADE RECALLS THREE WARS

### Flowers and Flags Wave for Departed Veterans.

## CHURCHES PAY TRIBUTES

### Wreaths Strown on Willamette Honor Sailors and Marines Who Served Their Country at Sea.

BY BEN HUR LAMPMAN.

Memory is the bright evergreen of the heart. And that is why, beyond doubt, a flag and its gray-beard bearer turn back the years to Gettysburg, or a striding in olive-drab summons the echo of sputtering machine guns in the dawn of the Argonne. Perennial love is theirs through memory, and memorial day strikes but the hour in which the tribute is spoken.

It was so in Portland yesterday. A spatter of rain, skies that alternated sunshine and cloud, and a fresh wind that whipped the colors out in brave array, marked the moments in which the city made its graves the altars of flowers and flags, and watched the valiant lads of three wars step out again to the marching airs of the regimental band and the insistent striding of the life guard drum.

In early morning, just about the time that the robins cease twittering to go about the business of the day, marchers set forth from every Grand Army post, conveyed by school children, their arm laden with the first roses, great scarlet pointers, and all the trappings of flowers, to visit those cities of the silent where certain men who staked their lives for freedom have bivouacked.

And a great pity it is, for that matter, that the tide of human affairs is too swift and exacting to permit such a reverent remembrance of the days of the year—and that Decoration day alone must bear the fine and splendid duty of outspoken recollection—that flags must fade and flowers must wither.

### Day Not Sorrowful.

If the mystical man from Mars were to ponder upon the customs of Memorial day, he might easily deduce the error the belief that such a day is fraught with sadness. Yet it is not for scarcely one of the American holidays is blent with finer sentiment or truer happiness. Its parades are lanes of smiles, with the clutch at the heart all but hidden by the flowers, and the words until they blazon truths that are unforgettable.

On the current of the Willamette, at the foot of Stark street, early in the forenoon, special services were held for the memory of our sailors and marines, and flowers were strewn upon the water in a ceremony that passed with stately grace to the boys who followed the flag on the sea.

But it was the mid-afternoon spectacle of the great parade, in which veterans of the civil war, the Spanish war and the world war alike participated, that thronged the downtown streets with thousands of patriots and that sent a flutter of cheer along its course.

### Old Wars Recalled.

There, for the city to see and honor, were the men who marched with Grant and Sherman—gray and sprightly—the men who drove the Don from Cuba and bore the attacks of the Philippines, in line with the same boys who went adventuring to France, and who know at first-hand how red the poppies are in Flanders fields, and how stubborn the strife was at Belleau Wood and the Argonne.

And so the parade went down the street, the forage caps of '61 full as jauntily tilted as the overseas caps of the present, and the rifle and drum corps making music not a whit less martial than did the bandmen of the national guard regiment. Men of forgotten divisions, whose valor wrought the surrender of Lee, led off the lads whose sleeves were gray with emblems that everyone has come to know, with wound and service stripes of gold, and with military decorations glittering on their tunics.

### John L. May Leads Parade.

Brigadier-General John L. May, commander of the 3d Oregon overseas and adjutant-general of the Oregon national guard, served as marshal of the day with a staff of aides, several of whom were also overseas men. As for the national guard regiment itself, the presidential 3d Oregon, though it mustered 500, fully a third of its personnel is comprised of men who saw service in the defeat of the Hun.

### Aerial Wedding Arranged

#### Couple From Cincinnati Expect to Be Married in Airplane.

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Specific warning of the threatening menace to his power was given President Carranza by the United States last October 15 and again last November 27. It was learned authoritatively today, President Carranza was reminded on these occasions particularly of his duty to protect Americans and American property in Mexico.

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### LIEUTENANT E. R. WISDOM IS KILLED NEAR SAN DIEGO.

### Machine Forced to Plunge to Earth When on Fire—Lieutenant Kelly, Also in Plane, Is Injured.

SAN DIEGO, Cal., May 30.—Lieutenant E. R. Wisdom of the army aviation school at Rockwell field, North Island, was killed today, when an airplane in which he and Lieutenant E. R. Kelly were flying came down near Ramona, about 30 miles from this city. Lieutenant Wisdom's home was San Francisco. Lieutenant Kelly, according to telephone reports, was slightly injured and plans were made to bring him back to Rockwell field in an airplane. It was reported here that the machine in which the two were flying caught fire and was forced to make a quick landing on the Mussey grade, one of the steepest mountain roads in this county.

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### SUPPLIES IN SIGHT HELD SUFFICIENT FOR NEEDS.

### Federal Board Expects to Re-enter Market for Flour Early in New Crop Year.

NEW YORK, May 30.—The food administration grain corporation announced today that for the present it would make no further purchases of wheat flour, victory flour or cereal products, but would re-enter the market for flour probably in the new crop year. All shipments on the American relief administration programme have been completed and there now is sufficient flour contracted for and in transit to meet other requirements, it was stated.

### Repairs Made by Crew

#### Trans-Atlantic Filers Come Down 100 Miles From Lisbon, But Later Go on 250 Miles Farther.

LONDON, May 30.—(By the Associated Press.)—The American naval seaplane NC-4 arrived at Ferrol, Spain, at 4:35 o'clock this afternoon, according to reports received by American naval officials.

### British Ask Soft Peace

#### Publicists Appeal to Lloyd George and Wilson in Huns' Behalf.

LONDON, May 30.—A letter signed by Earl Loreburn, Baron Buckmaster, Baron Southwark, Earl Beauchamp, Baron Parmour and a number of other publicists has been sent to Premier Lloyd George and President Wilson, urging that German appeals for modification of the peace terms should be considered impartially and sympathetically with a desire to meet them whenever possible.

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