



## Inauguration & Restoration

(Trilogy “The Keys to the Lafayette Squadron Memorial”)

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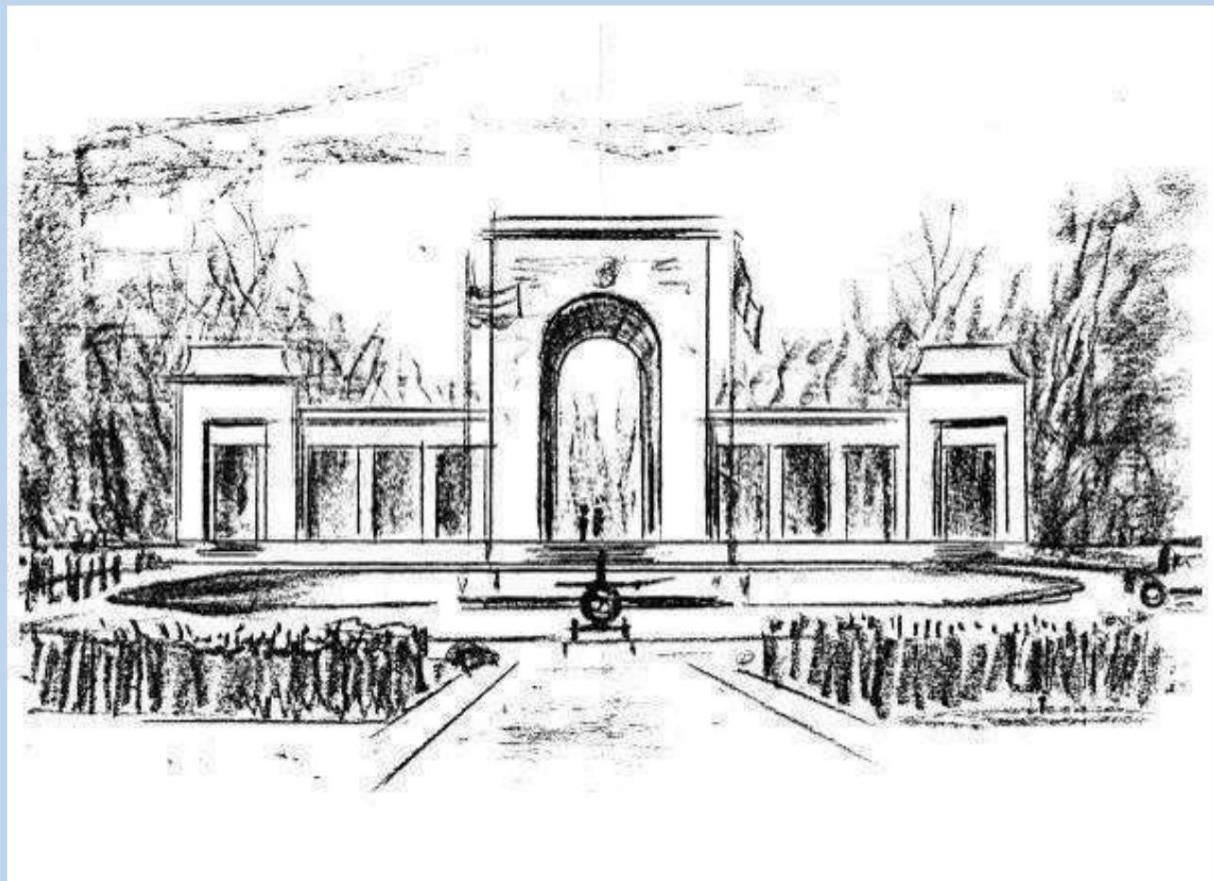
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## Inauguration & Restoration

### The Inauguration and its Environment

#### **Chapter 01- “Requiescat in Pace” – Rest in Peace**

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#### **-Dispute with Frederick H. PRINCE**

As early as 1924, William THAW was one of the very first to speak out against excessive posthumous glorification of Norman Prince's role. Through a campaign orchestrated in a section of the American press, Frederick Henry Prince, Norman Prince's father (See Vol. 01/p.12.) declared that his son had been the first American volunteer pilot and that the other pilots had simply followed his example, which lacked accuracy and good faith. Added to this were several other elements of the same ilk, tending to prove Norman Prince's prominence over all other volunteer pilots. These arguments were sometimes highlighted in the press by a former friend of Norman Prince, pilot Elliot C. COWDIN. Frederick Prince senior was a brilliant businessman. For the members of the association, the situation was delicate, especially since Frederick Prince had been a major financial contributor to the construction of the Memorial. Moreover, his son was not only a true hero but had played an essential role in the creation of the squadron.

The case that sparked the controversy was the decision to erect the future statue of sculptor Paul Landowski at the monument in a location chosen by his donor, the face to bear the features of his son. This same artist would later create the famous Christ the Redeemer in the bay of Rio de Janeiro, inaugurated in 1931, which became the symbol of the city. Norman Prince's statue was to be life-sized, and made with the aim of donating it to the association

from Mr. Frederick H. Prince. This work was to represent a pilot without a specific face, surmounted by an angel. The base and the statue were, in all cases, to be located in a place designated by the association. This project was approved by Dr. Gros, according to the Minutes of the Council of the association responsible for the work, on December 2, 1927.

It was later discovered that Frederick Prince was planning to order his son's face to be carved onto the statue, contrary to the initial agreements. In addition, he also wanted to choose the location of its erection on the site. Mr. B. Crehore, president of the American Pilots' Committee, even considering a lawsuit, strongly requested that Dr. Gros cancel this statue project. This decision to personalize the statue did not suit the other members of the association either. Thus, they decided on April 5, 1928, to dedicate the monument to all pilots and that no statue or mention of a

No pilot in particular would be admitted to the site outside, of course, of the official inscriptions on the monument and the tombs.

The work commissioned by Frederick Prince can be admired today in the National Cathedral in Washington DC (See Vol. 01/32).

Since then, the Prince family and its many descendants have regularly attended celebrations at the Memorial without the matter ever being mentioned again.

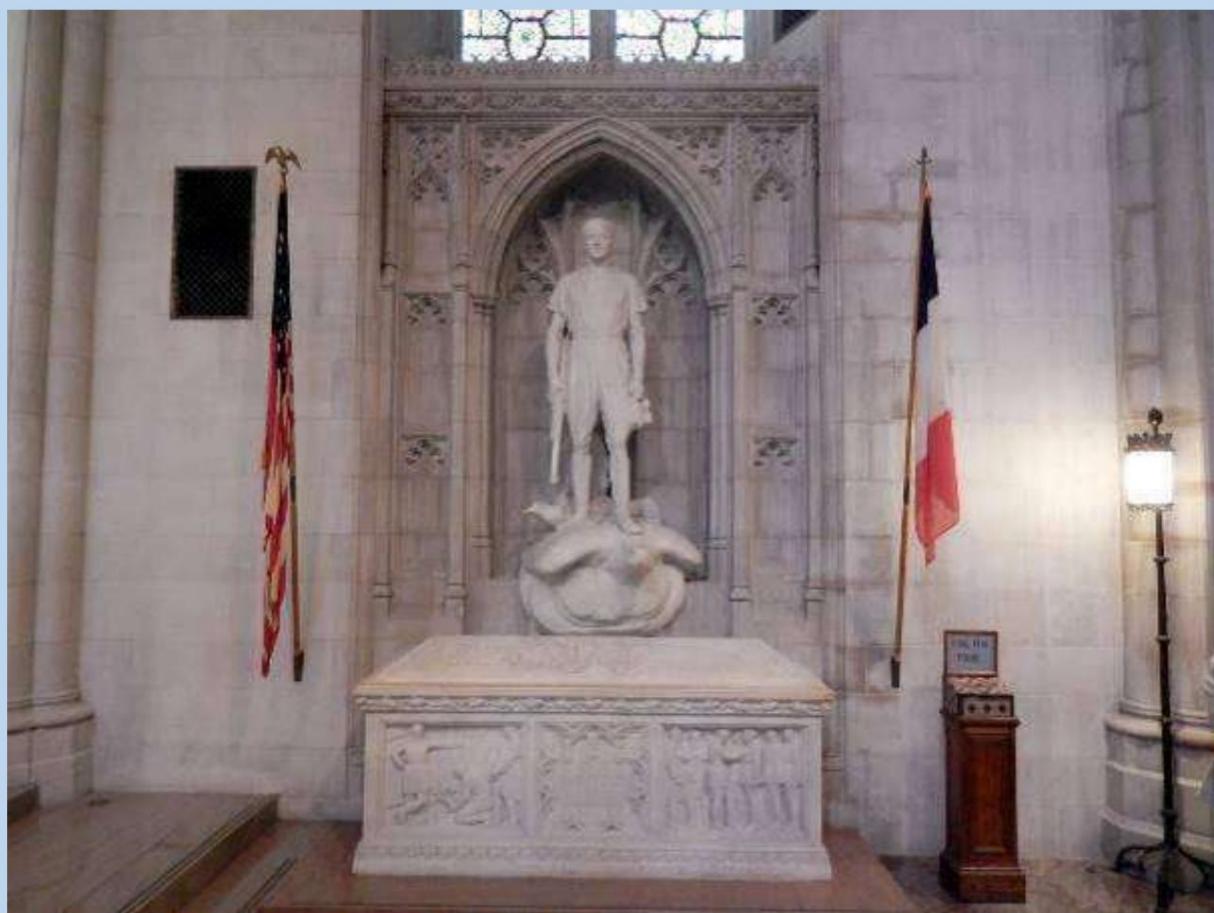


Photo Adrien Deshayes

Note: In the entrance of the prefectoral residence in Pau, on October 15, 1916, a tribute to the pilot Norman Prince was held at the Villa Sainte-Hélène. This former property of the Prince family was bequeathed, in 1952, to the department (now called) of Pyrénées-Atlantiques in the Nouvelle-Aquitaine region, before becoming, in 1957, the residence of the prefect. The restored painting represents the pilot Norman Prince in military uniform in front of his fighter plane, a painting dating from 1917, painted by Raymond Desvarreux. On the Villa Sainte-Hélène in Pau, a plaque in memory of Norman Prince was affixed after a ceremony attended by civil and military authorities. Although the invitation does not mention it, it was also to honor the 100th anniversary of his death in combat.



Source: The Republic of the Pyrenees

**Éric MORVAN**  
*Préfet des Pyrénées-Atlantiques*

**François BAYROU**  
*Maire de Pau*  
*Président de la communauté d'agglomération*  
*Pau-Pyrénées*

*Ont l'honneur de vous inviter à participer à l'hommage rendu à Norman PRINCE,  
héros de l'escadrille La Fayette, le 15 octobre 2016 à Pau*

*11h00 : Cérémonie au monument aux morts, en présence d'une délégation officielle américaine*  
*15h00 : Cérémonie au monument du 18<sup>ème</sup> RI, Caserne Bernadotte, Place Verdun*  
*16h45 : Conférences « L'escadrille La Fayette » par M. Bernad Vivier et « Les Américains à Pau au  
début du 20<sup>ème</sup> siècle » par le professeur Christian Desplat, Médiathèque André Labarrère,  
place Marguerite Laborde*

*Les Présidents d'associations sont conviés avec leur porte-drapeau et une délégation*

## -No room for William Thaw in the Crypt

Born on August 12, 1893, in Pittsburg, Pennsylvania, and already an aviator at the Curtiss School in the United States, William Thaw enlisted in the Foreign Legion in August 1914; he fought in the trenches before becoming one of the founders of the La Fayette Escadrille. We cannot retrace his entire brilliant military career here, both under the French and American wings. At most, we will add that he was a holder of the Legion of Honor, the Croix de Guerre with four palms, and two stars of the Distinguished Service Cross with bronze leaf.

William Thaw, a surviving pilot from World War I, died of pneumonia on April 22, 1934, in Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania.



"Source Wikipedia" -  
Thaw driving right-  
(Photo taken after  
the war)

His family having written to Mr. William N. CROMWELL, then President, to request his burial at the Memorial, Mr. Cromwell asked the Board of Trustees, on May 6, 1935, for its opinion on the matter.

During the ensuing discussion, Dr. Gros explained to the council that there was only one place left in the crypt. He added that such an exception to the principles governing burials, reserved exclusively for those who died during the war or as a direct result of it, would create a precedent that would cause innumerable difficulties. This judgment declared that it took into account "the prominent role played by Colonel Thaw in the Lafayette Escadrille during the war."

Mr Granger, Conservator of Waters and Forests, proposed the installation of a plaque in the crypt or on the Monument, which was never carried out.

Dr. Gros's view was questionable because there were two exceptions to this rule concerning the last niche No. 17. But, in addition, William Thaw's widow demanded that if her husband was ever buried in the crypt his name should appear on the Monument.

In return, she offered memorabilia of the pilot to be stored in a future museum; these were two bronze lions evoking Whisky and Soda, with the aim of helping to realize

A wish dear to Colonel Thenault: a museum dedicated to the squadron on the site of the Monument. It will not be realized until 2019 with the inauguration of the "Visitors' Center."

On October 9, 1935, at a committee meeting attended by the Founding President, Colonel Thenault, and all members (except Paul Rockwell, who was absent), the case was discussed again.

As a result, the committee would have finally agreed to the transfer of William Thaw's body to the crypt. But during a subsequent visit to the monument, accompanied by several people including Colonel Thenault, Mrs. Thaw and several members of the pilot's family raised a new demand: to engrave a list of pilots who had died after the war on the monument.

Mrs. Thaw further requested that her late husband's name be engraved at the top of this list. Faced with the formal refusal of the committee members, she declared, in Paris, to the Founder Mr. Nelson Cromwell in the presence of Colonel Thenault, that she renounced this burial. Consequently, William Thaw was buried in the United States as you can see using the link below and, it is a shame for the Monument and its history, but enough is enough!

<https://www.findagrave.com/cgi-bin/fg.cgi?page=gr&GRid=33631317>

In a Council meeting dated May 4, 1936, it is written word for word:

"Regarding the inscription of Colonel Thaw's name on the Monument, Colonel Thenault draws the Council's attention to the fact that Colonel Thaw not only exercised the greatest moral authority over the Lafayette squadron, but also, he was the first chronologically enlisted. It was therefore fitting that his name be placed at the head of the list of pilots."

Dr. Gros suggested that the names of the two hundred pilots and airmen, dead or alive, be inscribed on the column at the foot of the stairs, in chronological order of their engagement, since the service records of several survivors surpassed in glory those of the pilots killed during the campaign.

The issue was brought up again the following year; time passed and problems related to the preservation of the monument caused the plaque to be forgotten. Unfortunately, the new war was also fast approaching...

## -Divergences on the Destination of the Monument

On July 2, the day before the inauguration, a good twenty former pilots The survivors dined at the Hôtel Chatham, rue Daunou (at the intersection of rue de la Paix and Place Vendôme) and not far from their former headquarters in Paris, "Harry's New-York Bar" located two minutes away at 5, Rue Daunou.

What was supposed to be a quiet and pleasant discussion between former brothers in arms turned into a heated oratorical joust. A former member of the Lafayette Squadron No. 124 wanted the Monument dedicated solely to their squadron and declared that the members of the "American Flying Corps," known as the "AFC," were pulling the rug out from under the feet of the older members. The pure "Lafayette" "LAF" thus argued that they had possessed glorious service records before the formation of the "AFC" in 1917. The members of the "AFC," although also volunteers in the Foreign Legion, fought longer under the Star-Spangled Banner than under the tricolor. They expressed their wish that their glorious comrades fallen on the Field of Honor, also inscribed on the Monument, be given rank in the ceremonies in order to share the same honors as the "LAF."

The discussion continued in an acrimonious tone until Austin B. Crehore, a former member of the "AFC", (See Vol.01/12) took the risk of beginning an explanation by using a striking phrase from the outset: "We too have our dead."

Eventually, the warring parties decided to form a committee bringing together pilots from both categories. It was also decided that an inscription, shedding some light on this dispute between the two groups, should be posted on the Monument, a decision never subsequently implemented.

A persistent legend has it that the pilots, during this discussion, decided that the survivors should not have their names subsequently engraved on the Monument. We do not believe this point was raised by the pilots at this time, the dispute between them being of a completely different nature.

This anecdote was well reported by an American journalist whose name we do not know. He hastened to cable the news to his newspaper "The New York Times"; this The latter published it on July 3, 1938, the day after the events. So the abscess was burst that evening, and the differences faded greatly with time.

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#### Chapter 02- Preparation for the Inauguration

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#### **-Change of Date of the Ceremony**

For several reasons, the original date of the ceremony, initially scheduled for May 30, was postponed to July 4 by a decision of the Council dated February 6, 1928. The monument's preparation was insufficient for the first date and then, with summer approaching, many families would take advantage of the summer holidays to visit the war cemeteries. One group was even scheduled to embark on a cruise in the Mediterranean three days after the inauguration.

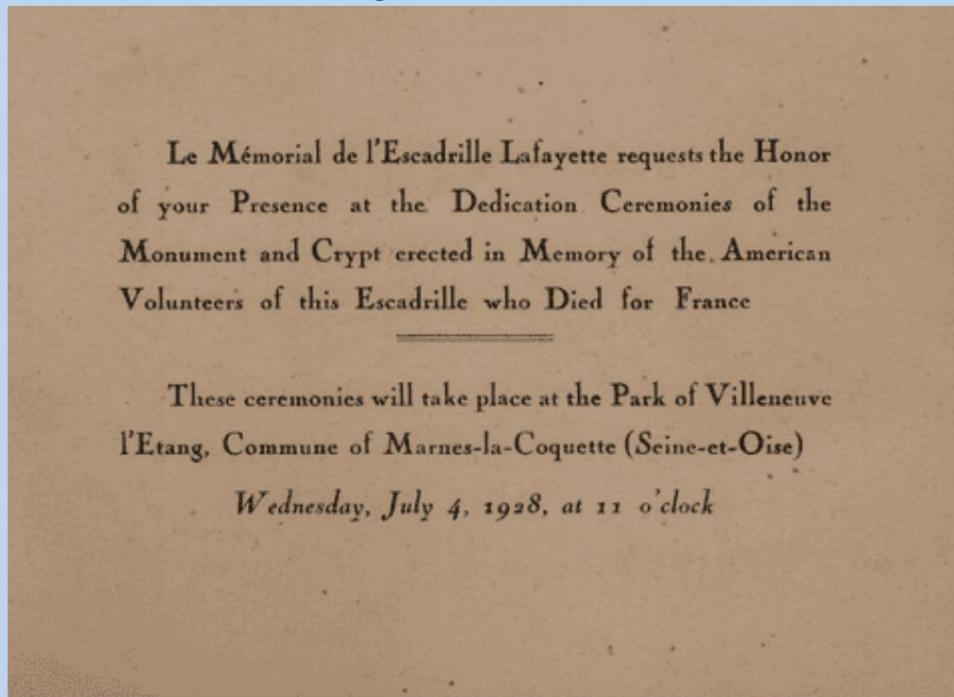
#### **-Customs fees borne by both states**

Following representations by the Association Council, the American authorities offered to waive passport fees for invitation holders. The French authorities, not wanting to be outdone, decided not to charge visa fees to guests arriving in France; and even, exceptionally, not to check the identities of guests upon arrival and departure at the port. The "French Line" granted visitors a 20% discount, as did the "French Railways" for good measure. A joint crossing was even considered for all families.

## -Launch of Invitations

Invitations, in both languages, were sent out using the list of pilots and their families published on May 1 (Vol.01/22).

### Bilingual Invitation Card



## **-Transfer of Bodies**

In preparation for the inauguration, an agreement was reached with the "American Graves Registration".

The transfer of the pilots' bodies will begin from May 15.

Brigadier Marguerité will be engaged for this purpose at the request of Mr. Charles PRINCE acting as a member of the association's council. Mr. Crenshaw contacted the family of Walter D. RHENO with a view to locating his grave; we know that the agreement on the transfer will not be made (See Vol. 01/32). In fact, Mr. Cromwell, still not seeing the promise of a perpetual concession for the monument arrive, delayed the preparations for the inauguration as much as possible. This clever maneuver finally bore fruit in the form of an act of the Senate dated June 21, 1928. The final act of gift will not be realized until the following year (See Vol. 01/18). Mr. Cromwell proposed to advance a sum equivalent today to €90,000- as a gift to cover this expense. This did not include the price of new coffins of the same size for all; This latter cost alone doubled the amount spent on transfers.

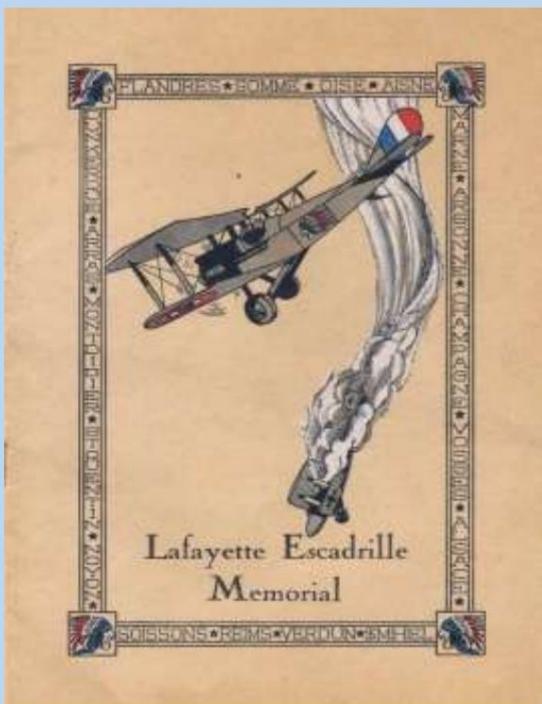
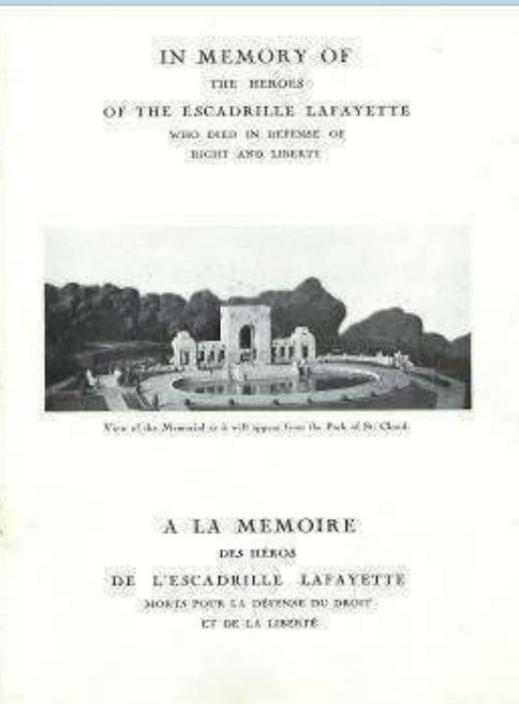
## **-Brochures**

Two types of brochures were printed and distributed on the occasion of the inauguration of the Memorial - the main

one, sixteen pages on glossy paper, with a cardboard cover, intended for official guests, pilots and families. - the second, eight pages on glossy paper, without a cover, in a smaller format, distributed to other guests.

Mr. Cromwell offered the Foundation the price of the brochures. It was expected that a fundraising appeal would be sent to the guests with the brochure, but the delay in the operation (waiting for the decree of donation, or rather its promise) dashed the high hopes placed in this operation. However, a reasonable amount of donations came into the coffers, but not to the extent of the initial expectation.

The total cost of the 1928 ceremony, recorded in the balance sheet drawn up in 1929, amounts to F.66,999 (approximately €41,000).

**Official Guest Brochure****Simple Guest Brochure****-Use of Available Media**

A delegated administrator was authorized to contact "Radio PTT" then broadcasting on 458 meters on medium waves, "Radio Tour Eiffel" broadcasting on 2,650 meters on long waves and Radio Sorbonne (the only one still present today but audible only on the Internet).

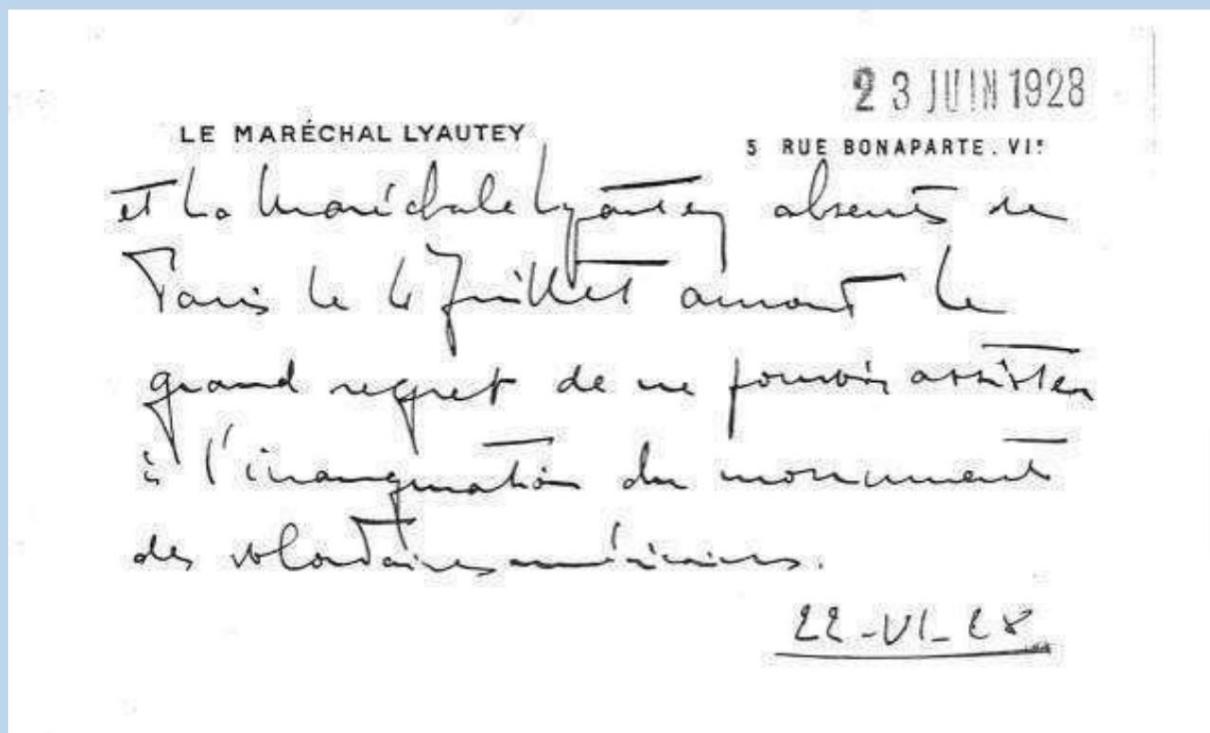
The photo and cinema operators are invited to place themselves before the ceremony in a special section reserved for this purpose, with prohibition of moving during the ceremony. Unfortunately, the films shot on this occasion seem to have been lost; they were however silent and in black and white, (necessary clarification for the new generations) the talking newsreels only dating from 1930. A short copy, badly damaged, hung around for a long time in the wings of the monument before disappearing definitively following a flood -9.5mm format- with central perforation in the image-.

French newspapers from the time that published articles on the ceremony, such as "Le Figaro", "Le Petit Journal", etc., can be consulted free of charge via Gallica, the digital site of the BNF (National Library of France): <http://gallica.bnf.fr/accueil/?mode=desktop>.

**-Engraving of Names on the Monument**

We will conclude this chapter by saying that the engraving of the names on the monument was not ready for the inauguration. Instead, the names were painted on the stone, while the spelling of some of them was still debated until the end of 1928.

## -Marshal Lyautey Apologized



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The ceremonies mainly lasted from Sunday, July 1, 1928, to July 6, 1928. The period leading up to the inauguration gave rise to numerous Franco-American events. This is not intended to dwell on the social events during the few days preceding the inauguration, but to show the importance given to the event by its contemporaries. We have refrained from commenting on the meeting of July 4 in Paris, at the Élysée Palace. This reception, planned for the evening after the inauguration, between President Doumergue and the pilots, lacks reliable documentation. Since both parties' schedules were already overloaded that day, this reception may have been canceled.

**-July 1st Meeting with Costes and Le Brix**

These demonstrations began, at an uncertain date today, with a meeting at the "Union Interalliée" organized by Dr. Gros between the former American volunteer pilots on the one hand, and Dieudonné Costes and Joseph-Marie Le Brix on the other. These two pilots were then famous French aviators, having just flown around the world and also carried out several remarkable air raids. They would be the stars the next day at the Vincennes Air Show, unfortunately marred by an accident.

Their historic aircraft featured prominently at the Paris Air Show, which was opened on June 30th at the Grand Palais in Paris by President Doumergue and visited by pilots on Friday afternoon, June 7th.



### -July 1st Ceremony at Picpus The

Journal des débats politiques reports the visit of the surviving pilots, led by Commander Thenault, to the Picpus cemetery. In this Parisian cemetery, located in the Nation district, lie the Marquis de La Fayette and his wife, Mrs. Adrienne de Noailles, lying with other members of the Marquis's family. A bronze palm was placed on La Fayette's grave by a pilot, and five planes in combat formation flew over the solemn ceremony. At the end of this ceremony, the participants went to the Vincennes Museum to inaugurate a room where the Escadrille's war memorabilia were then stored.

### Tomb of the Marquis de La Fayette and his wife

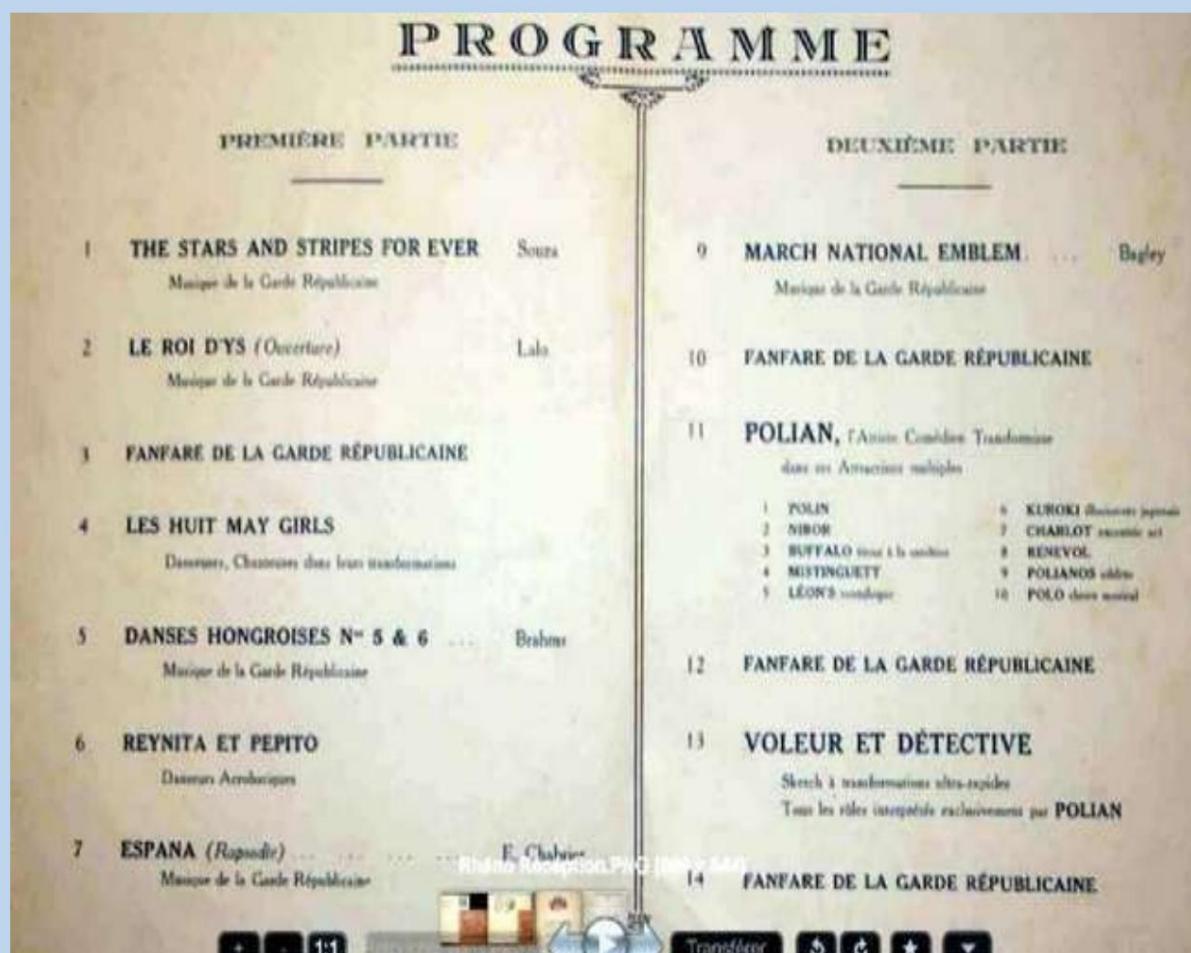


## **-July 2 Afternoon Reception at the Ministry of War**

The sky on Tuesday, July 3rd, was cloudy and slightly stormy; a reception was being prepared in the gardens and salons of the Ministry of War, then located on rue Saint-Dominique.

Mr. Paul Painlevé, former mathematician, Minister of War and aviation enthusiast, receives the Ambassador of the United States, Mr. Myron T. Herrick (See Vol.01/8); he is assisted by General Carence and numerous general officers. The Ambassador is accompanied by all our American aviators, many of whom wear the ribbon of the Legion of Honor in their lapels.

The two men will preside over the inauguration of the monument together. The conversation turns partly to the new aviation show inaugurated at the Grand Palais the previous Saturday by the President of the Republic. The Ambassador, the Minister (and the former pilots) will attend the inauguration of the Monument the day after at 11 a.m. They enjoy the musical spectacle accompanied by variety acts; Polian, the famous drag artist, entertains the assembly by changing personality in a few seconds, going from an imitation of Mistinguett to that of a ventriloquist. The music of the Republican Guard conducted by Mr. Pierre Dupont cheered all the participants.



Sources: "US Militaria Forum"

<http://www.usmilitariaforum.com/forums/index.php?/topic/65517-ww1-lafayette-flying-corps-uniformdocument-group/page-5>

This site has already been mentioned in this book; it contains seven pages of "absolute bliss" for those who care to consult it. It includes, among other things, a completely unique collection of memorabilia concerning pilot Walter D. Rheno, killed in action.



### -July 3 Reception at Paris City Hall

At 3 p.m., the "Salon des Arcades" resounded softly with the music of the 46th Infantry Regiment while the President of the Municipal Council, Mr. Georges Lemarchand, provided explanations to the two hundred guests of the Lafayette Squadron about the works of art in the salons. The guests entered through the South Gate (Seine side). They signed the City of Paris Guest Book in the Prefect's office. Then, in procession, all the participants headed to the "Salon des Arts" for an exchange of speeches. The meeting ended around 4:30 p.m.

### -July 4th in the Evening Rekindling of the Flame

Floating high behind the figures visible below was the Escadrille's flag. This banner, dating back to at most the period following the First World War, would be featured at all ceremonies commemorating the Escadrille and its glorious past. The "American Legion Paris Unit" was present in full force. A large audience accompanied a delegation of former American volunteer pilots.



Edwin C. Parsons and an unidentified officer lighting the flame of France's Tomb of the Unknown Soldier, as Georges Thénault looks on. This photograph was taken on July 4, 1928, the same day the Lafayette Escadrille Memorial was dedicated at Marnes-la-Coquette. (Washington and Lee University Archives)

## -July 4, 3 p.m., Drop-off at the American Volunteers Monument

For many reasons, this splendid island of greenery surrounding the Place des États-Unis in Paris is a high place of Franco-American friendship.

-On May 13, 1885, the bronze model of Bartholdi's Statue of Liberty was inaugurated.

The statue stood in the center of the square, opposite the United States Legation, which had been established since 1881.

-On July 4, 1923, the President of the Council, Raymond Poincaré, inaugurated a Monument to the American Volunteers of the First World War, erected by public subscription. The Monument is topped with a bronze statue (then under restoration in this photo) of Alan Seeger, an American poet in love with France who enlisted and died in the trenches on July 4, 1916. His name is on the back of the monument, on which are engraved all the names of the American pilots who fell in the ranks of the Foreign Legion. He wrote, "They did not pursue vain rewards; they desired nothing but to be, without remorse, brothers of the blue soldiers, to honor, to pain, and to live their lives and die their deaths."

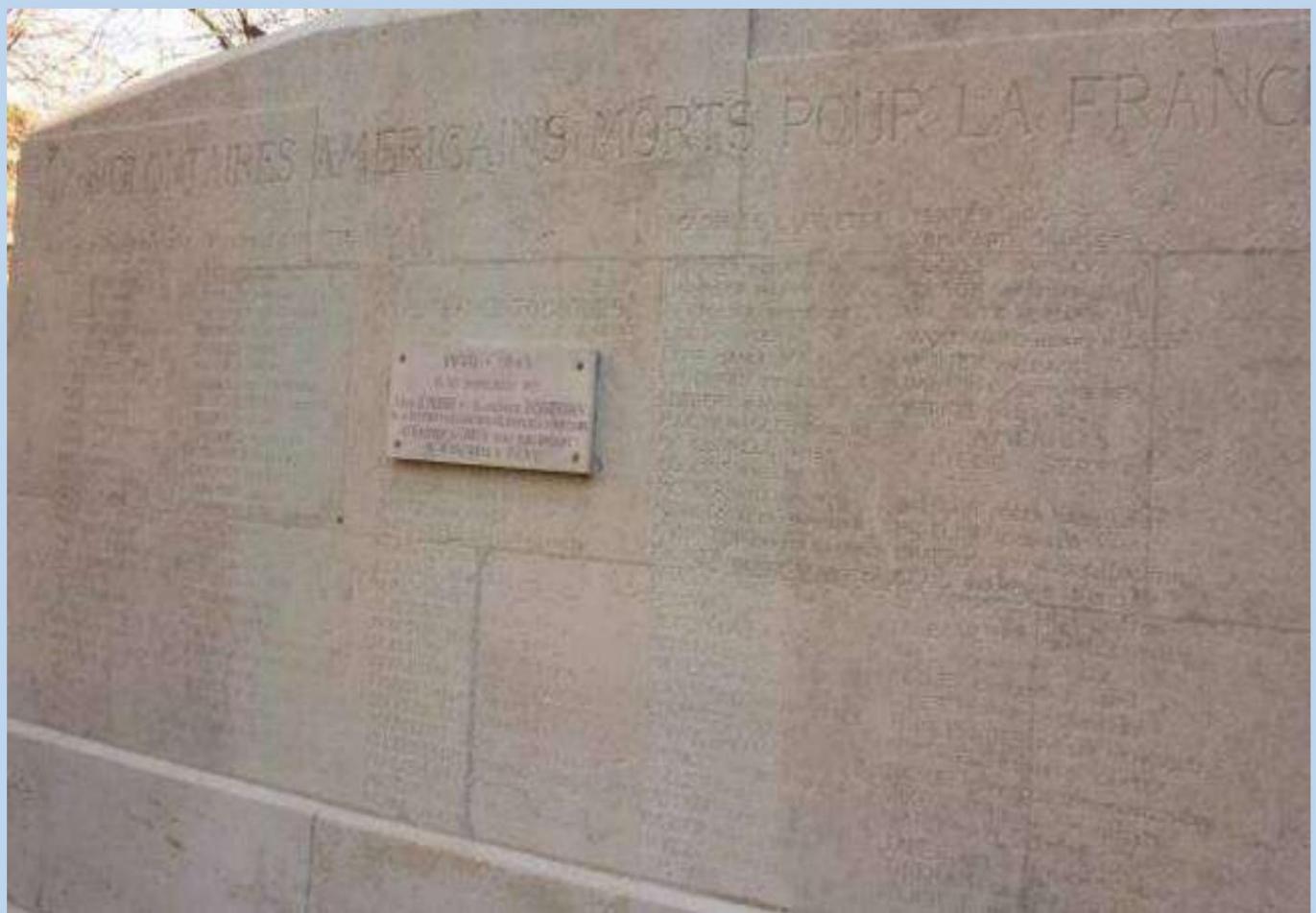
-Also in this square is the monument dedicated to the American dentist Horace Wells (1815-1848), a pioneer of anesthesia. Not to mention the bust of the American ambassador Myron Timothy Herrick -We will also mention, of course, the statue of Lafayette and Washington- in the same square.

At 3 p.m., the Hôtel de Paris office laid a wreath at this location along with a delegation of volunteer pilots.

Read "Rendezvous with Death" by David Hanna –ISBN 978 1 62157 396 8

Source: New England Museum





## **-July 4 at 4:30 p.m. Reception at the American Embassy**

The pilots were there to celebrate the national holiday of July 4th.

Independence Day, or Fourth of July, is the United States national holiday commemorating the Declaration of Independence on July 4, 1776, in memory of the country's separation from the United Kingdom. This day is an occasion for festivals and ceremonies celebrating the history of the United States, its government, and its traditions. Festivities include fireworks, parades, private or giant barbecues and picnics, baseball and American football games. Patriotic inaugurations are often added to this. There is no military parade yet.

## **-July 4, 8:30 p.m. Reception by the American Chamber of Commerce**

The diplomatic meeting took place at the dinner on the evening of July 4th, organized at the "American Chamber of Commerce" by its President Mr. Taylor; there were present, besides Prime Minister Raymond Poincaré, also holding the office of Minister of Finance, Ambassador Myron T. HERRICK and two other ministers, Messrs.

Bokanowski and Loucheur - for the latter the laws for popular housing are still a reference. Also added to this already impressive list are: General Dubail, Grand Chancellor of the Legion of Honour, General Gouraud, Military Governor of Paris and many other personalities.

The Prime Minister declared that, thanks to American aid, he had been able to restore France's finances. He recalled the days of the Great War and the economic problems it left unresolved. He spoke of the plan to outlaw war and demonstrated that France condemned offensive wars.

He declared forcefully: "Today we are very close. Our voices join across the ocean. We are no longer separated by time or space. We are able to understand each other better and better. We are sure that we love each other more and more."

**-July 6 Reception by the France-America Committee**

Source: New England Museum



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Mention to Mr. Lewis D. Crenshaw

#### **-Former Combat Pilots**

(In order of inscriptions in the Guest Book)

Edwin C. **PARSONS**- James J. **BACH**- Thomas G. **CASSADY**- Granville A. **POLLOCK** Edgar G. **HAMILTON**-

Austin G. **PARKER**- Richard **BULLEN**- Hugo **KENYON**- George **DOCK, JR**- Clarence **M. GLOVER**-

Robert **SOUBIRAN**- Herman **WHITEMORE**-

Kenneth A. **ROTHARMEL**- John Russell **ADAMS**- Thomas A. **BUFFUM**-

Clarence B. **SHONINGER**- Austin B. **CREHORE**- Jasper C. **BROWN**- Leland R. **RAOUNDS**- Charles C. **GREY**- William F. **LOOMIS**- Alvin A. **CUSHMAN**

The source of these names has come to us through reading or rather deciphering the signatures in the Golden Book, the original of which does not include the names.

The Pilots of the Lafayette Escadrille and Flying Corps	
Edwin L. Parsons	Edwin C. Parsons
James Bach	James Bach
T. G. Cassady	Thomas G. Cassady
Granville A. Pollock	Granville A. Pollock
Edgar G. Hamilton	Edgar G. Hamilton
Austin Gillette Parker	Austin Gillette Parker
Richard Bullen	Richard Bullen
Hugo Kenyon	Hugo Kenyon
George Dock Jr	George Dock, Jr
Clarence M. Glover	Clarence M. Glover
Robert Soubiran	Robert Soubiran
Herman Whitmore	Herman Whitmore
Kenneth Rothamel	Kenneth Rothamel
John Adams	John Adams
Thomas Buffum	Thomas Buffum
Clarence B. Shoninger	Clarence B. Shoninger
Austin B. Crehore	Austin B. Crehore
Jasper C. Brown	Jasper C. Brown
Lelan Raounds	Lelan Raounds
Charles C. Grey	Charles C. Grey
William F. Loomis	William F. Loomis
Alvin A. Cushman	Alvin A. Cushman

Pilots' signatures in the Guestbook

## -Official Representatives

- Beckman** (Dean Frederick) of the Holy Trinity Church
- Bokanowski** (Mr. Maurice) Minister of Trade and Industry and Aeronautics **-Bonnefous**  
(Mr. George) Member of Parliament for Seine et Oise
- Boysen** (Hjalmar H) Member of the Foundation Directors
- Bullwinkle** (Mr. Julius Caesar, Mary E. & Margaret) Treasurer and relatives (See Vol1/12)
- Crehore** (Mr Austen B.) Secretary and Treasurer
- Crenshaw** (Mr. Lewis D.) Administrator and moderator of the ceremony (See Vol.1/4)
- Doumer** (Mr. Paul) President of the Senate and former President of the Council
- Drake** (Cdt. Francis E.) Military Attaché Embassy & Member of the Board of Directors **-Foch**  
(Marshal Ferdinand) Commander-in-Chief of the Forces during the First World War & Honorary President of the Memorial Association
- Gaulin** (Mr. Alphonse), Diplomat, Consul General of the United States in Paris
- Gouraud** Henri (General) Holder of the five orders of the Legion of Honor
- Gros** (Dr. Edmund) Governor of the American Hospital & Vice-President of the Board of Directors of the Association (See Vol.1/6)
- Hemmick** (Reverend WA) delivered the invocation.
- Herrick** (Myron Timothy) Ambassador Extraordinary and Plenipotentiary for Life
- Laborderie** (Mr. Jean) Mayor of Marnes-la-Coquette
- Manning** (William T.) Reverend US Episcopal / Bishop of New York
- Painlevé** (Mr. Paul) Minister of War and former President of the Council
- Rockwell** (Mr. Paul) Secretary of the Association and brother of the killed pilot "Kiffin Rockwell"
- Sillac** (Baron Jarousse de) / Minister Plenipotentiary (See Vol.1/12)
- Taufflieb** (General Marie Émile Adolphe) Senator of Bas-Rhin
- Tessan** (François de) Deputy for Seine et Marne
- Thackara** (Mr Alexander Montgomery) Former Consul of the United States
- Thenault** (Colonel Georges) Commander of the La Fayette Squadron (See Vol.1/11)
- Veit** (Mr. Sidney B.) President of Paris Chapter of National Aeronautic

**-Families of Deceased or Surviving Pilots**

- Barclay** (Dr & Mrs. HV), Family of "Leif Norman Barclay"
- Baugham** (Mrs. WP), Mother of "James Harry Baugham"
- Baugham** (Mrs. Mary Mc Mullan) Sister of "James Harry Baugham"
- Benney** (Mrs. George) Mother of the pilot "Philip Philips Benney"
- Booth** (Mrs. Vernon Jr.) Widow of the pilot "Vernon Jr. Booth"
- Bocard** (Colonel Philippe) Founder of the Squadron (see chapter No. 3)
- Byers** (Mrs. G. Leslie) Relative of "Louis Byers"
- Campbell** (Mr & Mrs Andrew & Cornelia) Parents & Family 'Andrew C. Campbell Jr.'
- Cassady** (Mr. OE) father of the pilot present "Thomas Gantz Cassady"
- Chapman** (Mr. Charles Wesley & Mrs.) Parents of "Charles Wesley Chapman"
- Collins** (Mr. & Mrs. Richard H.) Parents of "Phelps Collins"
- Collins** (Mrs. J. Rex Bresleden) Sister of "Phelps Collins"
- Collins** (Katharine Collins Farman) f\* from "Phelps Collins"
- Crehore** (Mrs. Katherine B.) Wife of the present "Austin B. Crehore"
- Dowd** (Mr. Herman & Mrs. Mary Black) Father and Mother of "Meredith L.Dowd"
- Genet** (Mrs.) Mother or Aunt of "Edward Charles Clinton Genet"
- Grey** (Mrs. Charles C.) Wife of the present "Charles C. Grey"
- Johnson** (Mrs. Guy Roche) Mother of "Harry Firmstone Whelen Johnson"
- Kruijff** (Mrs Theodore de & Miss Cornela), Mother and sister of "T. de Kruijff"
- Lufbery** (Mr. Edward) Father of the Ace Pilot "Gervais Raoul Victor Lufbery"
- Maison-Rouge** (Mrs. widow of) Widow of the Former Commander of the Squadron -**Cremier** (Mrs. de) former Commander of the Squadron family "Arnoux de Maison-Rouge"
- Narlow** (Mr. Julien & Mrs.) Uncle and aunt of the pilot "Edgar Jean-Bouligny"
- Ovington** (Mrs.) Georgia (See Vol.1/9) & mother of "Carter L. Ovington"
- Pollock** (Mrs. Edith A.) Mother of "Granville Alexander Pollock"
- Rheno** (Mr. Winthrop) Brother of "Walter Davis Rheno"
- Spencer Jr.** (Earl Winfield & Mrs.) / Donor (See Vol. 01/45) "Dumaresq Spencer"
- Le Bas** (Miss Marion) Cousin of "Dumaresq Spencer"
- Carr** (Mr. Bentley) Cousin of "Dumaresq Spencer"
- Stone** (Mrs. Edward T. & Elisabeth) Mother and niece of "Donald Edward Stone"
- Verdier-Fauvety** (Mr. Paul & Mrs. G) Brother and Relative of "Louis Verdier-Fauvety"

## -French and Foreign Military Personalities

**-Barès** (General Joseph-Édouard) Chief of Staff of the Air Force on several occasions

**-Bunau-Varilla** (Colonel Philippe) Former engineer battalion commander at Verdun

**-Claudon** (General Henri) Head of the French military mission to the United States

**-Dubail** (General Augustin) Grand Chancellor of the Legion of Honor

**-Dumesnil** (Admiral Charles-Henri) Chief of Staff

**-Esteva** (Captain) Assigned to the Mediterranean Squadron and Representative

Alfred Beauvais, Minister of the Navy

**-Gouraud** (General Henri) / Governor of Paris

**-Gueydon** (Vice-Admiral Paul Albert de) / Former commander of the 1st squadron

**-Hergault** (General Émile François Xavier Lucien), Former diplomat

**-Huet** (General François Marcel) General of the Air Division

**-Lhopital** (Captain René) Artillery Officer

**-Lynski** (Colonel) Representing Poland

**-Niessel** (General Henri-Albert) Division Commander

**-Nollet** (General Charles) Divisional General at Verdun

**-Pujo** (Gal Bertrand) Aviator who carried out numerous missions

**-Saint-Clair Ellis** (Commodore Mark) US Navy

**-Segonne** (General) Commander of the 128th Infantry Regiment

**-Yonnit** (Major Burton) Assistant Military Attaché for air at the American Embassy

## -Civil Personalities

- Beekman** (Dean Frederick) Holy Trinity Church, Paris
- Bonnefoy-Sibour** (M. Adrien) Prefect of Seine et Oise
- Castellane** (Marquis de) Family of the Machine Gunner/Bomber of the PS 125 Squadron
- Chambrun** (Marquis Pierre de & Marquise) Deputy and descendant of La Fayette
- Chaffault** (Count and Countess du) Representative "The Society of the Cincinnati"
- Ciolan P.** (M.) Representing Romania
- Dampierre** (Marquis Jacques de & Countess) / Patriot and politician -**Fells** (Mr. Emil) Week of the Fighter
- Greffulhe** (Countess de)
- Hardoin** (MR Artist Painter of the Monument)
- Honorat** (Mr. André) Former Minister
- Jusserand** (Mr. Jean-Jules) former diplomat and historian
- Gladetaire** (Mr. Leo & Mrs.) Second Division American Legion New York
- Laporte (Mr.)** Monument Site Manager -**La Vaulx** (Henri François Joseph, Count of) Aero Club of France
- Luhacon** (Cdt Prospérés) Representing Portugal
- Miller** (Abbot) Representing the Catholic Church
- Montesquieu** (Baron de) Ancestor of the famous philosopher and Secretary of the Cincinnati
- Pasqua** (Mr. Peter de) Veterans of Foreign Wars
- Pic (Mr.)** Pasteur Institute
- Roy** (Mr. Philippe) / Commissioner General of Canada in Paris
- Scapini** (Mr. Georges) / Commander of the Legion of Honour and 100% disabled -**Touchy** (Mr. Jean) Hospice Brézin (Poincaré Hospital today)
- Veit** (Mr. Sidney) President of the Aeronautical Association.
- Vogué** (Vicomtesse de Voguë) Family engaged in support during the Great War

**-Associations, Federations & Miscellaneous****-Aero Club of France****-American Legion Escort Paris Post N°1 -War Veterans-**

**Abbock** (Mr.) + 13 Representatives including 7 identified: (Neimar-Sergeant, A. Beauvais-Clarion of the "Taps": RF Jones-Flag Bearer, E Maire, G. Leslie Myers, Maggio, RS Clairborne)

**-American Legion Auxiliary (Flag Bearer)**

Four Representatives: (Mrs Beauvais, Mrs Rippe, Mrs de Pasqua, Mrs. WH Weimer)

**-Association of Sphynxes (medalists) Widow of Drumont (Mrs)****-Association of Foreign Military Recruits****-Association of the Severely Disabled****-Association of Reserve Officers of the Aeronautics (two representatives)****-Barclays- 18 avenue de l'Opéra (Mr P. Walker)****-French Committee for Aeronautical Propaganda & French Aeronautical League****-Committee for New Blinded in Battle (President) Ms. Cooper Herewith****-Foreign Volunteers-Association of (Mr. K Nazare Aya)****-National Federation of the Severely Disabled****-Great Britain (Abbok Mr) Representative -National****Institute for the Disabled****-Interpreters of the Great War (Represented by its Vice-President)****-Disabled of the National Institute (3 Representatives)****-Italy- 3 Representatives****-Italians (Paris Veterans Section) M. Luicolat -Masaryl Air****League and Czechoslovakian : F. Syneky & J. Hladik -French****Aeronautical League****-Phare de France (President) Ms. Cooper Herewith****-Professional Republican Press****-Kingdom of Serbia, Croatia & Slovenia (Vladimir Bogdanovic)****-Society of the Cincinnati (5 Representatives) See Civil Personalities -Federal Union of Veterans Affairs****-National Union of Combatants (UNC)****-Veterans of Foreign Wars-Paris**

(Three Participants: (Mr. Peter de Pasqua, Mr. Fred Boyaut, Mr. RF Klein)

**-French Volunteers (The)****-Luxembourg Volunteers (The)**

(Five Representatives: (Mr. Bruch, President, Mr. Vlirtz, Mr. Bréusch, Mr. Felten, Mr. Petis)

## **-Excuse**

Marshal Lyautey, absent from Paris, wrote in a letter dated June 23 expressing his regret at not being able to attend the ceremony (see Vol 0/05).

## **-Two Unwanted Pilots**

The famous black pilot Eugene Bullard, of Spad 93 & 95, was not invited by decision of Dr. Gros; following numerous disagreements dividing the Board of Directors on this particular case.

He nevertheless attended the ceremony incognito. One can easily imagine his legitimate bitterness at not having received his invitation to "See / The Documentation" and the books about him.

But for a completely different reason, it seems that precautions were taken to exclude Bert Hall from the ceremony. This former pilot, considered a deserter, had previously boasted of wanting to attend. He did not come, to everyone's relief.

## **-Special Mention to Mr. Lewis D. Crenshaw**

We have already devoted a chapter to Mr. Lewis D. Crenshaw (Vol. 01/04). Apart from his titanic work during the construction of the Monument, he was the driving force behind the inauguration. He acted as master of ceremonies at the beginning and end of the inauguration; but this modest role does not reflect the importance of his actions throughout its entire course. He supervised everything from start to finish, working behind the scenes; we do not find him in the photographs in our possession.

**We would like to pay special tribute to him here.**

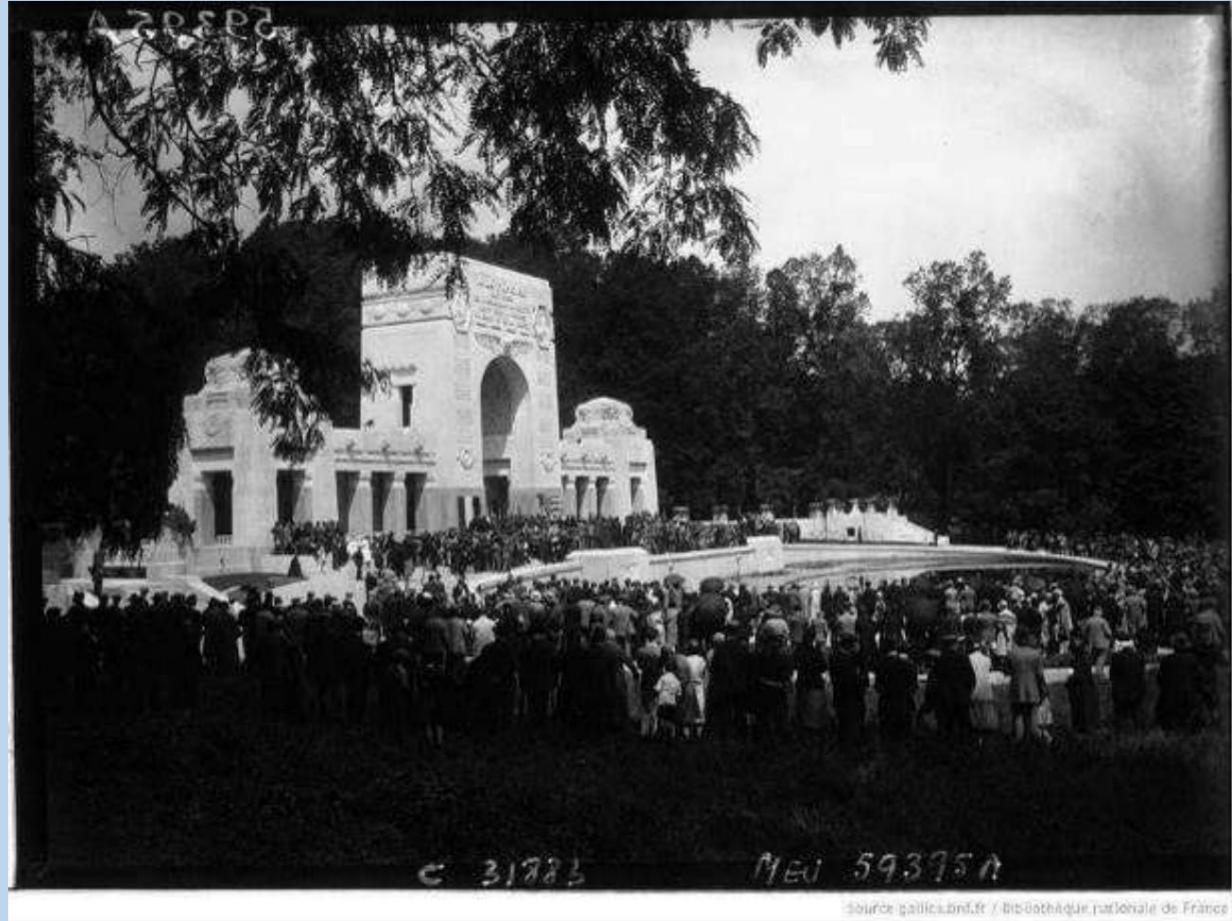
## Inauguration & Restoration

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## -Arrival of Participants

Finally, the big day, so awaited and so prepared, has arrived!

Early in the morning, coaches and trains from the capital set off to bring a crowd estimated at ten thousand people to this suburban corner. After fears of bad weather, the previous night had been stormy, the day was fortunately sunny without being hot; in short, ideal weather that delighted the organizers of this open-air ceremony.

The entrance gates onto the boulevard were decorated with flags flapping in the wind. After crossing the small bridge, many people could be seen standing around the pool and even in the alleys and on the lawns. Transportation for the official guests (from Paris) was provided by the (official) host association.

Among the delegations, several French veterans' associations marched with their flags. The crowd was dense and reverent.

Before the ceremony, the conversation in the audience was quietly about the accident at the recent Vincennes air show where Captain Brager's plane crashed to its death, leaving his flight engineer seriously injured.

The press, photographing, filming, and broadcasting, had their place on the sides of the Monument. Generally, the cameras were positioned at the height of the pillars of the central arch overlooking the tribune; however, a brief, highly coveted passage was reserved for certain photographers in front of the officials. They were all ordered not to move during the ceremony, a prohibition that was impossible to contain at times. For radio, three microphones were allowed, one per broadcasting company: PTT, Sorbonne, and Eiffel Tower.

The written press was represented mainly by the famous newspaper "Le Figaro", the popular Petit Journal, the far-right political "l'Action française", "le Journal", the always well-informed "l'Écho d'Alger", the cultural journal "Comœdia" and various French correspondents. On the foreign side, the Americans, of course, dominated with the "New York Times", the "Miami Daily News", the "Lincoln Evening Journal" etc. All these elite writers were comfortably seated and sat with the guests.

The security service was provided by a detachment of the 5th Infantry Regiment, a very old regiment that had particularly distinguished itself during the Battle of the Marne. The military band of this regiment, lined up in a line, practiced playing patriotic tunes in a low voice, this music, appropriate for the occasion, helping to keep the crowd waiting.



**Public Waiting Before the Ceremony**

(9m5 film on the Inauguration of a Monument (Director Georges Carlou)

### **-Installations Around and On the Monument**

A special, temporary stand for about a hundred people had been set up for the ceremony, with seats reserved for official figures in front of the Monument and on the steps of the central arch. Facing them and the Monument, another stand, which could hold about a hundred people, was seated, the relatives of the missing pilots and several former French pilots.

Mr. JC Bullwinkle greeted guests as they arrived. Some

There were no places and the most able-bodied people remained standing on the edges of the pool. Hostesses handed guests a copy of the English brochure printed for the occasion (See Chapter 6). A simplified version was distributed from hand to hand and made available to the entire audience.

The crowd, estimated at around ten thousand people, spread out to the rear from the gardens and paths (to stop) facing the Memorial.

Delegations of disabled and broken faces were seen, seated opposite the official stand in order to benefit from a good view of the whole.



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**-Opening of the Ceremony:**

Just before the ceremony began, the crowd heard the growing roar of engines. Ten French fighters, from three different squadrons and composed of Dewoitine D19s and D25s and the brand-new Breguet, flew over the park in formation of threes, led by their leader. They had just taken off from the nearby Vélizy-Villacoublay military base.

The public, very impressed by this massive aerial display, warmly applauded this beautiful parade.

Then, to the cheers of the public and supported by triumphant music, the former pilots paraded to their places. At the head, proudly carrying the flag, were James J. **Bach**, then Edwin C. **Parsons** - who refused to leave the French army after the United States entered the war -, Lieutenant Edgar Guerard **Hamilton** (Vol.01 Chap.07) wearing the safari uniform of the Foreign Legion (the latter was the first to have the idea of creating this high place). The public, in a state of contemplation, uncovered themselves during their solemn march towards the Monument, they stopped before the basin of the Monument. The parents of the missing pilots, gathered near the tribune, stood up not without particular emotion during their first march.

At exactly 11:00 a.m., the Marseillaise and the American military anthem "The Star-Spangled Banner" were played by the band of the 5th Infantry Regiment. The anthems were performed immediately upon the arrival of Mr. Paul Painlevé, Minister of War. The latter reviewed the guard of honor of the 34th Aviation Regiment based at Le Bourget, with its glorious flag held high by Colonel Mion. He was followed in his journey by Mr. Paul Doumer, President of the Senate, accompanied by Mr. Myron T. Herrick, Ambassador of the United States.

Then, General Eugène Gouraud, Military Governor of Paris, and the founding authorities of the Monument followed in their footsteps.

The military band of the 5th Infantry Regiment then began a more sustained march.

This music triggered the then triumphant parade of former pilots leaving one by one from the middle of the aisle and heading towards the Monument. At the head, the squadron flag carried by James J. Bach, all to the cheers of the crowd who, after the reflection, let off some steam.

These dignitaries took their places at the Monument in a gallery decorated with French and American flags. A picket of the 34th Aviation Regiment, in full azure ceremonial dress, positioned itself in front of the Monument and then headed towards the Crypt to pay their respects at the end of the ceremony. A large tricolor flag crossed the width of the left Arch of the Monument and the Star-Spangled Banner of the same size crossed the right arch.

## **-Blessing of Reverend William Manning**

The Reverend William Manning, Bishop of New York, an important figure in the American Establishment who had come to France especially for this ceremony, blessed the Monument while Alfred Deauvais, bugler of the "American Legion," well hidden from public view, played the funereal notes of "Taps" to the rhythm of the last breaths of the dying on the battlefield. After which, three salutes of honor resounded, chasing the frightened birds towards the treetops.

Then came the time for the speeches; Mr. Crenshaw introduced the speakers. After each speech, Dr. Gros stood up and thanked the speaker from his seat on the podium.



La foule des invités devant le Memorial La Fayette. Au-dessous, la bénédiction par l'évêque de New-York

De gauche à droite : le général Gouraud, le maréchal Foch, l'évêque Rév. W. Manning, M. E. Gros, M. Myron T. Herrick, M. Doumer, M. Bokanowski, le général Dubail

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Public Standing on the Steps of the Basin and on the sides of the Monument

(Extract from a 9m5 film on the Inauguration of a Monument: Director Georges  
Carlou)



Source: Gallica/BnF - Bibliothèque nationale de France

1. Myron Herrick
2. Paul Painlevé
3. Marshal Ferdinand Foch
4. Msgr. William T. Manning
5. Gen. Emile Hergault
6. Dr. Edmond Gros
7. Jean Jules Jusserand
8. Maurice Bokanowski
9. Gen. Henri Gouraud
10. Paul Doumer
11. Gen. Charles Nollet
12. Gen. Augustin Dubail
13. Adrien Bonnefoy-Sibour

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**NOTABLES GROUPED AT CEREMONY**

Pacific and Atlantic Photo.)

Impressive ceremonies at the inauguration of the *Lafayette Escadrille* monument at *Willeneuve-l'Etang*, took place yesterday before a crowd of more than ten thousand. The photo shows the speaker's stand during the ceremonies with Rev. William T. Manning, bishop of New York, pronouncing the benediction. Left to right: General Gouraud, Marshal Foch, Paul Painlevé, Bishop Manning, Ambassador Herrick, M. Doumer, and M. Bokanowsky.

**National Library of France-Gallica – Chicago Tribune July 05th**

**-Speech by Dr. Edmund Gros**

Dr. Edmund Gros, Chairman of the Memorial Board, spoke movingly of the formation of the Squadron when the United States was not yet at war with Germany.

"It was pilot Edgar Hamilton who came up with the idea of seeing the sixty-seven victims, lying on various points of the soil of France, Belgium and Italy, gathered in a single place where they would sleep side by side their last sleep."

"The Lafayette Squadron Memorial Association was founded under the presidency of our beloved Ambassador, Myron T. Herrick. After five years of continuous effort, the work of the Memorial Committee is nearly complete, and today you see rising in the sky a magnificent Monument serving as a shrine to our dead, and symbolizing in a lasting way the feelings of affection that unite our two great countries, feelings that found their purest and highest expression in the hearts of those young men who, during those first tragic hours of the war, came spontaneously and generously to offer their lives to France."

"With stone, Mr. Marcel gave this monument a harmonious and beautiful form. By placing our glorious dead here, we gave it a soul."

"I predict that this masterpiece will become a place of pilgrimage."

He bows before the memory of all Americans who died on the field of honor.

With a majestic gesture and a vibrant voice he slowly declares:

**"I solemnly hand over the Monument to France."**

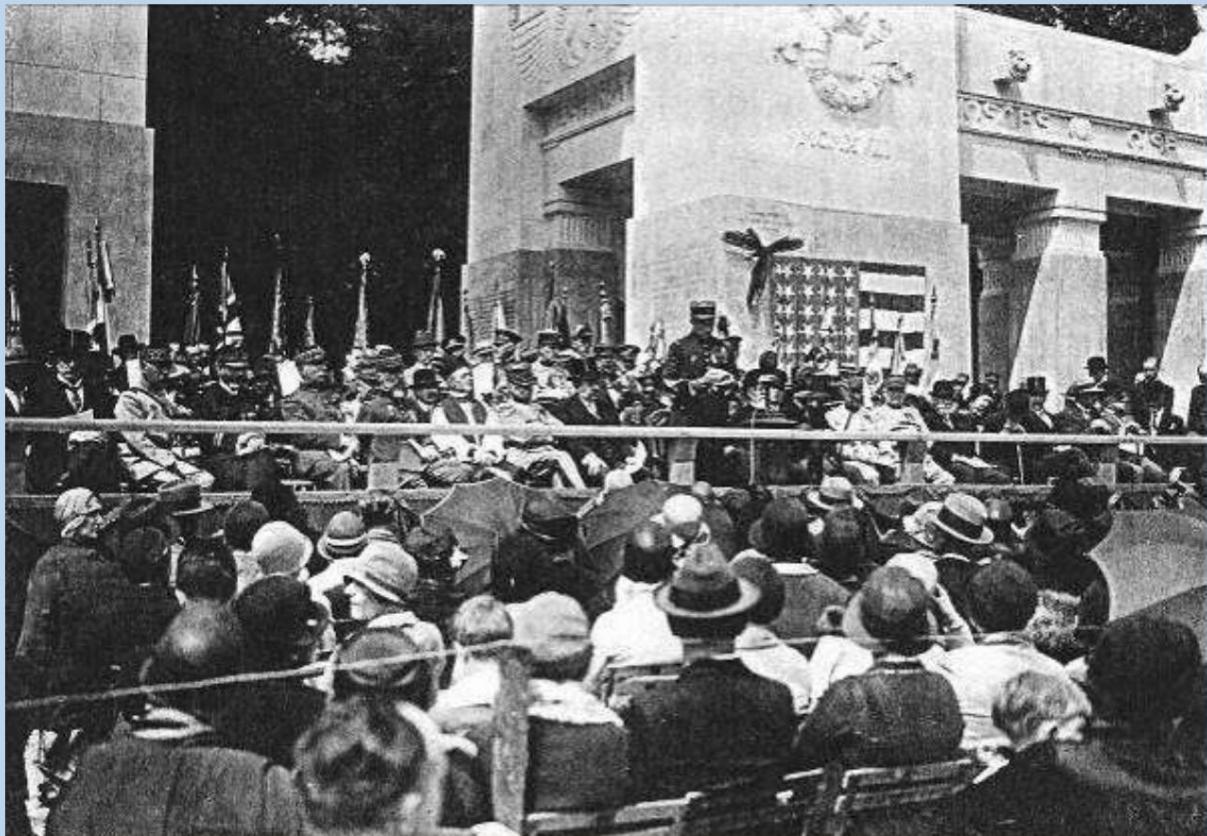
The audience rose enthusiastically to approve the gesture and the word.

Then Dr. Gros called for silence to read a telegram from Mr. William Nelson Cromwell, President of the Association (Chapter 59), who was traveling in the United States and apologized for not being able to attend. He also reiterated his tribute to his compatriots who died in defense of liberty and civilization.

The personalities in the stands rose especially to applaud this message from the President and founder, whom everyone knew very well for his attachment to the Monument and his usual generosity.

## -Speech by Commander Georges Thenault

It was the most moving speech of the ceremony. A long speech covering, on the one hand, the history of Franco-American relations and, on the other hand, that of the squadron whose he assured the command :



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"One hundred and fifty years ago, almost on the same date, Admiral d'Estaing, bringing the first official speech of France to the Americans, appeared at the mouth of the Delaware with twelve ships of the line with famous names like "Le Tonnant," "Le Vaillant," and "Le Guerrier."

"From there, he went back up to Sandy Hook in pursuit of the English fleet which was sheltered behind the passes, in the port of New York."

"France had just taken sides with the insurgents."

"The previous year, reverses had followed the victory at Saratoga, and General Washington had been obliged to withdraw to the camp at Valley Forge, where he reorganized with energy and patience.

War was declared; it was a war where manners were still observed; M. Antoine de Sartine, the Minister of the Navy, ordered all ships to allow the great navigator Cook to pass with honor, in the interest of science.

"And in the memoirs of "Le Temps", we find the astonishing news that the English Admiral Rodney, held in Paris for debts, Marshal Biron paid them out of his own pocket to allow this famous adversary to return to take command."

"There was still chivalry."

"However, the colonies saw their hopes reinforced by the arrival of their new allies.

"During these dark hours, La Fayette was with him. When the latter finally learned of the arrival of Admiral d'Estaing, his joy knew no bounds and, by forced march, he set off to meet him towards Providence. The fleet had arrived; it was, for the fortunes of arms, a favorable omen, despite the impatience of La Fayette and his comrades who had to wait another two years for the arrival of Rochambeau and his Legions.

Yet, for more than a year these French volunteers, anticipating their country's decision, had been fighting like lost children.

"After obtaining officers' commissions from Silas Deane or a Franklin, the representatives of Congress in Paris: La Fayette, Segur, Launay, de Pontgibaud, Dillon, Armand, Mauduit, l'Enfant, to name but a few, had embarked and smuggled to the shores of America."

"What reasons had driven these young French royalists, the golden youth of the time, armed only with their good will, fresh out of college, to join a few veteran officers of the king's armies, to go and help the rebellious colonists throw off the yoke of the king of England?"

"It was not at all hatred for the neighboring nation that had driven them; English things and especially English ideas were beginning to enjoy great popularity among us."

"Furthermore, do we not find Lafayette, a few weeks before his escapade, at the Court of Saint-James where his uncle, the Marquis de Noailles, Ambassador of France, presented him to the king? On learning of his nephew's departure, the uncle was seized by a violent despair which he expressed in a long report to his Minister of Foreign Affairs, the Count of Vergennes."

"No, it was not a question of hatred, but it was a mission of pure love that these generous hearts returned to fulfill."

"This youth had heard so many ancient Greek and Roman classics sing of this freedom and then regret it in such vehement terms when it had been taken from them, that many champions had risen up to defend it when it seemed threatened. Unable to dream of it for themselves, they wanted at least to help the Americans preserve theirs."

"Let us also add the spirit of adventure, surviving from the paladins and the crusaders, and we have the motives which directed the actions of these enthusiasts."

"One hundred and thirty-six years later, in 1914, similar reasons provoked the same movement, this time in the opposite direction in our favor."

"When the war with Germany broke out, many were those who of all the parts of the world rushed to our defense.

"As early as August, a few Americans, most of them living in Paris or traveling in France, rushed to the enrollment offices at Les Invalides. They

believed that the adventure would be short, they did not want to miss it. The century-old sympathy for our country, the evidence of aggression, the adventure against the fort, had directed their steps: All chivalry was not yet dead.

"They began by refusing their services, trying to discourage them by saying: 'When you have completed your training, the war will be over.' They stood firm, overcame all diplomatic resistance, and signed up for the duration of the war in the only corps they were allowed: an infantry regiment of the Foreign Legion.

"Among them, the names of a few deserve to be remembered: Thaw, Lufbery, Bach, Kiffin and Paul Rockwell, Charles Trinkard, Frederic Zinn, Lawrence Scalan, Alan Seeger, Bouligny, Weeks, Chatkoff, Soubiran, Victor Chapman, Pavelka; they were immediately sent to the Toulouse depot to undergo the harsh discipline of a rushed instruction."

"At the beginning of October our Americans were already at the front, in the sector held at the time by the Legion towards Reims and Craonnelle.

"To them were the battles in the open countryside, the heroic charges to the sound of bugles, the bayonet duels which would quickly bring the enemy to heel, and quickly end the war, after triumphant entries into the conquered towns..."

"They soon became disillusioned, they found the mud sticky, in which they had to engage in earthworks, tedious resupply runs. At the break of the barbed wire; they had to remain passively under the enemy shells with the impossibility of going above the head of the parapet, with the prospect of finding themselves in the field of machine guns, the diabolical coffee grinders. It was war in all its horror. Lice, but no more lace: to last, we burrowed like animals."

"Our legionnaires did not find what they had hoped for. This inaction was unbearable for them. Death, yes, but not getting bogged down. To the most ardent, especially those who had some experience in the air, aviation appeared as a possible outcome, where glory coexisted with danger. Through prodigies of ingenuity, three of them: Thaw, Hall, Bach, succeeded in December 1914 in gaining admission to a new branch, thanks to Lieutenant Brocard."

"Thaw, who knew how to fly, was assigned almost immediately to a squadron on the Lorraine front, where I met him in June 1915. One of the other two who had claimed to be pilots was given a plane, Bach; it was the first time he had flown alone, and after an impressive takeoff, he went and smashed his plane into the wall of a hangar, fortunately without any harm; he was sent back to school."

"In January 1915, following a different path, a young man from Boston, Norman Prince, had crossed the ocean, with his comrade Frazer Curtiss, to try to organize in France a squadron composed of American volunteers. He had many friends in Paris. In particular, Colonel Jacques Balsan. They helped him realize this idea. It was difficult and thanks to the high-ranking supporters they were able to recruit, mainly at the United States Embassy, they managed to interest the French authorities. At the urging of Mr. Jarousse de Sillac, of the Ministry of Foreign Affairs, who had immediately become an ardent champion of the Escadrille, Colonel Boutiaux, Director of Aeronautics

In February 1915, decided to directly admit American volunteers into the French Air Force. Prince and his comrades were sent to complete their training in our schools.

"On the other hand, an American in Paris, Dr. Edmund Gros, had sensed in the American ambulances of which he was one of the leaders, the ardent desire of all this vigorous and athletic youth, the elite of the colleges and universities, to take a more active part in the war. Driving a Ford loaded with wounded even under shells seemed insufficient to them. Dr. Gros saw there a source of energy that was impossible to neglect.

He happily combined his efforts with those of Mr. de Sillac. With some friends they formed a committee, Mr. Vanderbilt and Mr. Ovington promised, and, at the appropriate time, gave their full support; the steps were active and in August 1915, during a lunch given at the home of Mr. Senator Menier, where Mr. Léon Bourgeois was present, General Hierschauer gave his definitive support to the creation of the Escadrille. Mr. René Besbard, his successor, interested the General Headquarters in the idea, which lent a favorable ear. Thaw kept abreast of all these steps. His hopes were finally going to be realized. In February and March 1916, at the height of the attack, the commander of the Army Aeronautics, Commander Barès, was permanently stationed at Verdun. He promised me command of the Escadrille. With those inside completing their training, and those already at the front, there were now enough pilots to complete a squadron.

"As soon as the battle had calmed down a little, General Joffre gave the final decision, and on April 18, 1916, American Squadron No. 124 concentrated at Luxeuil: the time for its first weapons had sounded.

"From the front squadrons came William Thaw, Norman Prince, Elliot Cowdin and Lufbery, from the schools, Victor Chapman, Kiffin Rockwell, and James McConnell. With my assistant, the brave Lieutenant de Laage de Meux, there were 9 of us pilots. The 80 young mechanics or old territorials who formed the sedentary personnel, from the beginning devoted themselves to their obscure task."

"To allow him to make his debut, the squadron was sent to provide protection for the Happe group, in a relatively quiet sector. The planes, Nieuports, arrived with the joy that one can imagine. We began the patrols. Rockwell had his first victory, which would be followed by other victories, but which would have to be paid for dearly."

"On May 18, an order tore us away from the comforts of Luxeuil, where life was almost peaceful between flights on the lines, and called us to Verdun, where the furnace was still burning."

"What an emotion to return to this active front where hearts beat faster. This time, it was the real battle; above, a skilled and numerous enemy; below, an incessant cannonade mercilessly pounding a ground revealing its entrails. In this realm, the sacrifice was about to begin. Victory or death was about to become the law of every day.

"From Saint-Mihiel to Hill 304, our Americans took their turn on guard to help their French comrades. Wing to wing, always ready to give a helping hand to their faithful mounts, so as not to be late for their appointment with death, they were now going

to be able to accomplish, in armor of canvas and wood, the heroic charges they had dreamed of. Tirelessly, they made their daily rounds, amidst gestures the least of which, in other times, would have attracted attention. But while so much heroism was being expended below, it was necessary that those above also have the easy offering.

"Victor Chapman, an ancient hero, was shot dead while on his way to Vadelaincourt Hospital to deliver some oranges to his seriously wounded comrade Balsey.

Seeing bursting flakes above Verdun, he could not resist the temptation and alone engaged in combat. He was the first victim.

"Some were falling, but new volunteers from all classes were arriving to replace them; at that moment we saw Lufbery arrive, who was to become the great ace of the squadron."

"After Verdun, it was Alsace again in September. There, Kiffin Rockwell, a tough and proud soldier, was in turn brought down at the foot of the "Hartmannswillerkopf."

"Norman Price, this inspired soul, then fell at Gorcieux, surprised by the night, after his devotion had made him stay close to the planes he had to protect, during a long-range bombing raid.

"On this Gachy field, under Brocard, all the fighter aircraft, Guynemer and the Storks in the lead, were gathered together.

"For her, it was certainly the most glorious moment of the entire war; every day, glorious names shone in the communiqué until the moment when activities were slowed down by winter and its fog. It was at this moment that our adversaries having protested, the name "American Escadrille" was changed to that of "Lafayette Escadrille".

"In 1917, still crisscrossing the skies, the planes decorated with the Sioux with the eagle profile were successively sent to the Aisne, to Flanders, to Verdun, over Malmaison, taking part in all the offensives. To name only those of the squadron, McConnell, Genet, Hoskier, Mc Monagle, Andrew Courtney, Campbell, the Frenchman de Laage de Meux fell successively."

"They were amply avenged, because in August a citation in the army order mentioned the 28 planes already shot down by the squadron to date.

"de Maison Rouge and Verdier Fauvety succeeded de Laage, and that they came from Whether from Texas or New England, volunteers were always arriving in greater numbers.

"Having freer hands since the United States entered the war, the Committee had accelerated enlistments so that the cadre was soon too narrow to accommodate all the trained pilots, the surplus of whom was transferred to the various French squadrons."

"In January 1918, the American army, which was beginning to take its place at the front, was happy to admit into its ranks these experienced pilots, most of whom received commands, Thaw and Lufbery at the head.

"They were going to lead their young comrades into aerial combat with the valor that we know."

"Of the 267 Americans who enlisted in the French Air Force, 224 were licensed pilots and 180 served at the front. There were 62 deaths - including 51 in combat - 15 were taken prisoner.

and 19 wounded. With 199 official victories, such was, at the armistice, the record of the "La Fayette" Squadron.

"She had fulfilled her task well: By erecting this monument to her glory, the people of America wanted to mark the extent of their gratitude. But these imposing lines could be surprising if we only retained the material role played by this squadron lost in the mass of armies.

It was not the presence of these 200 men that could have had a favourable influence on the final decision. Why then this crowd gathered?

"Today, if the memory of Lafayette is more revered than that of Rochambeau, whose armies nevertheless ended the war, it is because Lafayette came as a volunteer."

"People love ardent souls who do not wait for orders to die, and that is why these aviators have well deserved their glory. Rightly, the United States immediately treated as favorites those we honor today. From 1916, and throughout 1917, the whole country resounded with their exploits. On Main Street or on Broadway, one read every morning on the front page of the newspapers what the Squadron had done the day before."

"It was the only army at the front. America was proud of it, and little by little the nation, which felt that it should not abandon this vanguard to a vain sacrifice, was drawn towards it; this was not one of the least reasons that made it enter the battle, always in the name of the same principles of liberty."

"Our volunteers played such a symbolic role that they themselves could never fully appreciate its importance. This is why we officially honor those who, listening only to their hearts, left their grieving mothers to sacrifice themselves for this second mother: France."

"Without her, 'the world would no longer be the world,' life would no longer be worth living," they told me. This love astonished even me. Their bodies, yesterday still scattered on all fronts, today gathered in this crypt, are there to attest to the loyalty of this love."

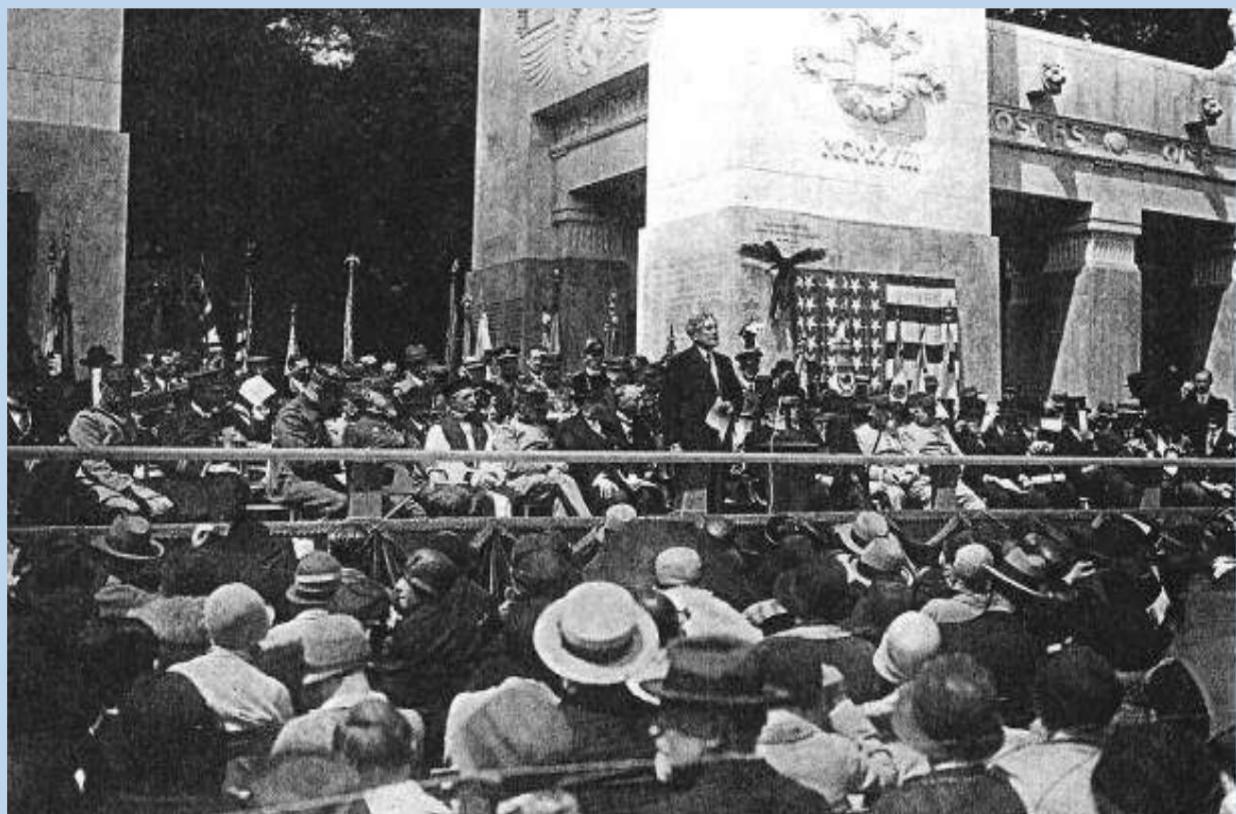
"Old comrades in arms: in the hearts of the two nations always friends will be eternally kept, more surely than by marble..."

"And from him whose only honor was, not to command you, but to serve with you, receive a last homage."

**A standing ovation followed Colonel Thenault's speech.**

## -Speech by His Excellency Mr. Myron T. Herrick

The United States Ambassador, in a speech that received much applause, began by recalling his moving meeting, at the beginning of the war, with the intrepid young people who, before America entered the fray, wanted to join us (Vol. 01/08).



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"In the early days of August 1914, when this country learned with a heavy heart the tragic and unexpected news that Germany had declared war, and that for the sons of France the call to arms had sounded, a group of young Americans came to the chancellery saying that they wanted information and, I now believe, hoping to have my personal opinion. They wanted to fight for France, but they were not quite sure that they had the right to do so. Could I help them resolve this question?"

"I took the law on the duty of neutrality; I read it to them and carefully explained the passages. I did not think I could go beyond it. I found myself in a difficult position, given my feelings. But just at that moment, observing those ardent young faces, I was seized by an emotion as violent as theirs and, forgetting

the calm of the referee, I put my fist on the desk: "That's the law, young people; but if I had your youth, I know pretty well what I would do!" At these words a cry came from their chest and with the speed of the arrow they descended the stairs.

"These were the first American volunteers enlisted in the French army.

Others followed them and in a short time a large group of their number had joined the Foreign Legion.

But a number of them had from the beginning desired to join the French aeronautical service. They requested their transfer to the air force, and so almost immediately, young American men began to fly for France.

"It is my wish to make this place open to all and continually creating a bridge between our two nations, which are becoming more and more united as time goes by."

The people of the United States, he said, owe a special debt to these early American volunteers of the Lafayette Escadrille and their comrades in the Foreign Legion. They have done the greatest honor to our people.

"To many of us, they seemed to be the saviors of our national honor. Their influence and public sentiment in our country were equally tremendous."

"Thanks to the French government for all the help given to the Memorial Committee and especially to Mr. Painlevé who was Minister of War in 1917, received the Americans and maintained the closest relations with them with the squadron.

Deeply moved and to the redoubled applause of the audience, the Ambassador of the United States, appointed for life, returned to his seat, the front of the gallery.

### **-Speech by Mr. Laborderie, Mayor of Marnes-la-Coquette**

"Ladies and Gentlemen, Mr. President, On behalf of all our residents, the Municipal Council, and on my own behalf, allow me to express our sincere thanks for choosing the commune of Marnes-la-Coquette and this delightful and peaceful part of the Villeneuve l'Étang park to erect this sacred monument."

"We are not unaware of the part that may be assigned to us in the future, for the care and supervision of this precious sanctuary."

"Tell the American Nation, Mr. President, that its noble and valiant sons, who spontaneously flew to help us defend the freedom of the world, will be the object of our pious solicitude."

"Tell the families of these brave men that we will pass on to our younger generations the sense of gratitude they owe to these heroes, just as they themselves did for our great Lafayette!"

"The flowers that our children will place on their graves will today be the symbol of our fraternal affection which, we hope, will never fade.

Glory to the Heroes of the Lafayette Squadron!

**-Speech by the Minister of War, Mr. Paul Painlevé**



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"209 "La Fayette de l'Air" volunteers thus anticipated the entry into war of their country, 67 fell on the battlefield, and one of the first their initiator, Norman Prince. They too responding to the categorical imperative of a higher duty, being able to say with your poet: I have a date with death (Alan Seeger - see chapter 51).

"It was in 1916, in the furnace of Verdun, that the pilots of the La Fayette Escadrille; winged messengers of hope and justice, "trainers" of a continent; made their first weapons. " "The

French soil, for the defense of which they sacrificed themselves, offers them as a field of rest one of its most beautiful sites. But however peaceful this nature may be,

However magnificent and solid this monument may be, their memory will find an even surer asylum in the hearts of the children of France."

"Yes, we will never forget the heroic sacrifice, the daily exploits of our brothers in the United States."

He cited with emotion the names of two deceased pilots, Chapman and Lufbery whom he knew.

## **Thus ended the moment of speeches, the central point of the ceremony, which were unanimously appreciated.**

Some of the speeches differ from other accounts of the ceremony. All were delivered in the same spirit, but perhaps not in the same place or at the same time. We believe that all those reproduced here were reported by those present, and we favor them.

### **-Proceedings after the Ceremony**

The pilots and guests signed the Guest Book; a certificate was presented to the pilots present by Dr. Gros, except Eugene Bullard.

The immense crowd then filed into the crypt, which had been temporarily transformed into a greenhouse, the tombs disappearing under the flowers.

The magnificent floral contribution owes much to Mrs. Benjamin Thaw, who lived in both Pittsburgh and Paris; she came to the ceremony. Her son William was a member of the Foreign Legion and also became a distinguished aviator in the Lafayette Escadrille (See Chap./01).

Many guests came to bow before the wreaths presented by the various delegations, before visiting the crypt.

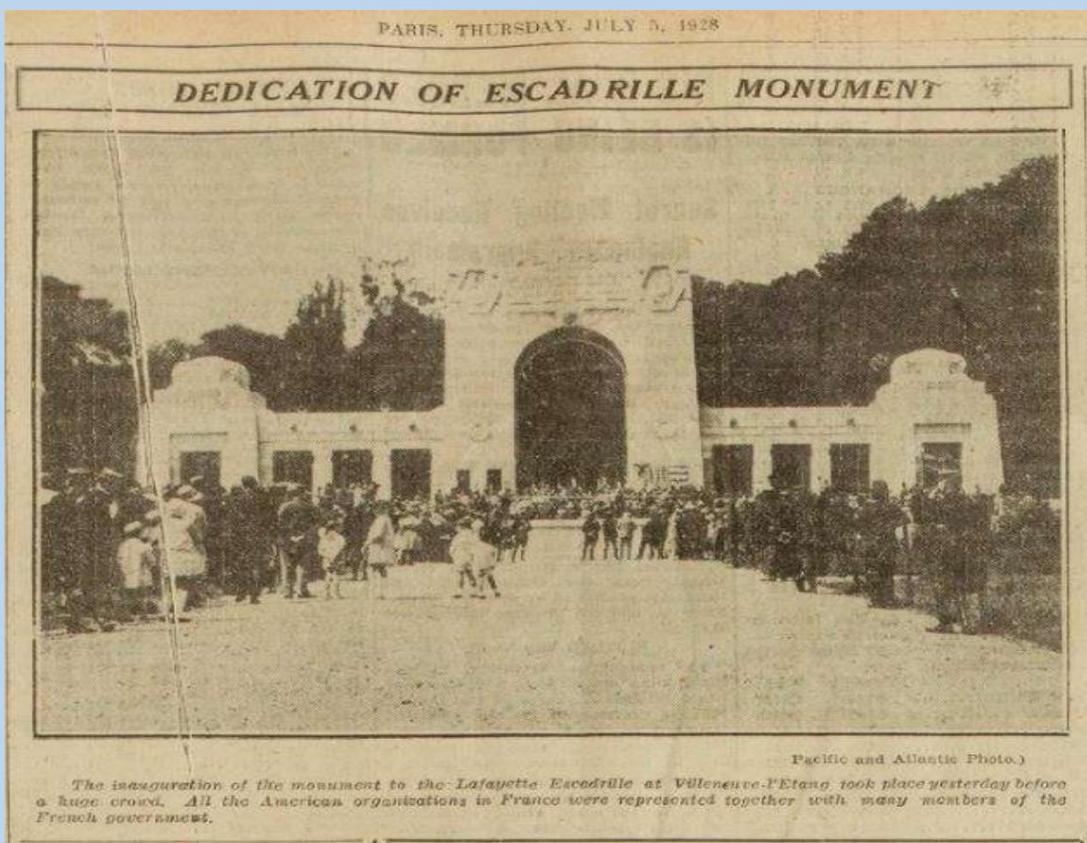
The crypt doors were each guarded by two non-commissioned officers of the 34th Aviation Regiment under the command of Colonel Poli-Marchetti. In front of each niche, two soldiers stood guard with fixed bayonets. In the middle of the crypt, this regiment displayed the military aeronautics flag, still carried by Lieutenant Mion and accompanied by his guard.

On the occasion of this event, Mr. Edouard Herriot, Minister of Public Instruction and Fine Arts, granted exceptional leave to the students of the schools of Saint-Cloud, Garches and neighboring towns with the aim of seeing some of these young people participate in the ceremony or visit the Monument in the afternoon.

**All afternoon, the public filed past to see the wreaths placed on the  
Monument and in the crypt**



**The public walks around after the inauguration (Extract from a 9m5  
film on the Inauguration of the Monument: Director Georges Carlu)**



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## **Inauguration & Restoration**

### **The Inauguration and its Environment**

#### **Chapter 06- The Official Brochure**

-Notes

This brochure for ceremony officials was printed in limited numbers and offered by the founder, as indicated in (Chap. 02).

Since the inauguration of the model and up to the writing of these lines, we have no fewer than nine different brochures, most of them bilingual.

In addition to this final brochure indicating access to the Monument, some pages of the latter have since been reproduced several times for the purposes of the cause. In our humble opinion, the quality of the first brochure has never been equaled, either in its text or its very careful layout.

Its identical reproduction would even be desirable, for example for the upcoming centenary of the Monument in 2028.



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TO THE PILOTS  
OF THE  
LAFAYETTE ESCADRILLE  
AND  
LAFAYETTE FLYING CORPS



The 209 Americans First to Fly for France

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“ They who look beyond the night,  
They who see in dawn’s pale light,  
One more day in which to fight,  
Those no death can stop.”

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IN MEMORY OF THE HEROES OF  
THE ESCADRILLE LAFAYETTE  
WHO DIED IN DEFENSE OF RIGHT AND LIBERTY

Le 16 Mai 1928.

Le MARÉCHAL FOCH

Le 26 Avril 1777, La Fayette s'embarquait à la Pointe-de-Grave, pour mettre son épée et celle de ses compagnons au service de Washington. Son acte spontané fut la cause initiale de la participation de la France à la Guerre de l'Indépendance Américaine.

Dès le début de la Grande Guerre, des Volontaires des Etats-Unis vinrent au secours de la France et de la liberté du Monde et, le 26 Avril 1916, ces pionniers se groupèrent sous le Drapeau Tricolore pour former une escadrille Américaine qui, en souvenir, fut appelée : l'Escadrille La Fayette.

Spontané comme celui de La Fayette, leur geste fut le signal de la mise en mouvement des Etats-Unis vers la France.

Honneur à ces héros de l'Escadrille Américaine dont j'ai connu la vaillance, pour avoir si noblement rendu la visite que La Fayette fit à leurs ancêtres.



## TRANSLATION OF MARSHAL FOCH'S TESTIMONIAL

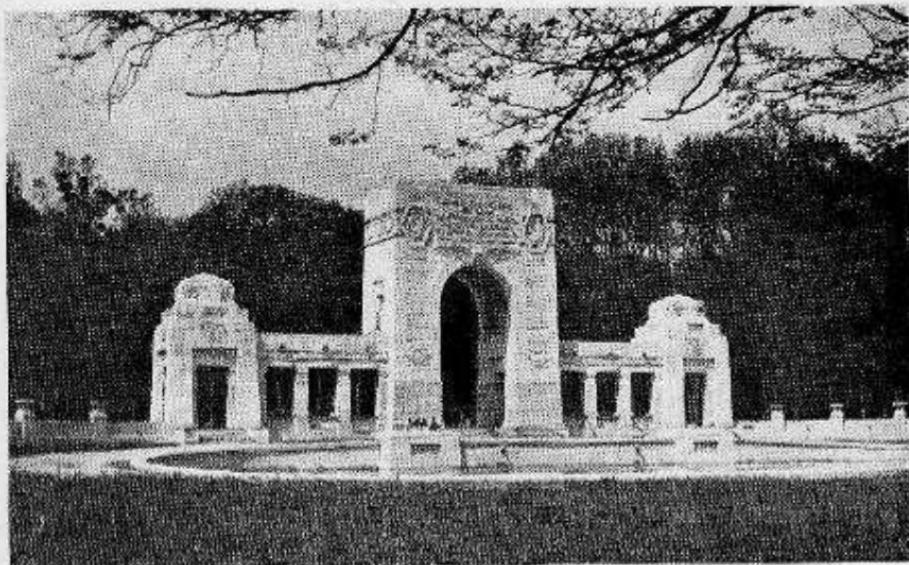
On the 26th of April, 1777, Lafayette embarked at the Pointe-de-Grave to place his sword and the services of his companions at the disposal of Washington. His spontaneous act was the initial cause of the participation of France in the War of American Independence.

From the very commencement of the Great War, volunteers from the United States flew to the aid of France and of the liberty of the world. On the 26th of April, 1916, these pioneers grouped themselves under the French Tricolor to form an American Escadrille, which in thankful memory was called the "Escadrille Lafayette".

Their action, spontaneous like that of Lafayette, was the signal for the forward movement of the whole United States towards France.

All honor to these heroes of the American Escadrille, whose bravery I well knew, for having so nobly reciprocated the visit which Lafayette paid to their ancestors.

F. FOCH



MAY THIS MEMORIAL QUICKEN IN MANKIND  
 THE SPIRIT THAT ANIMATED THE VOLUNTEERS OF THE  
**ESCADRILLE LAFAYETTE**  
 SONS OF THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA  
 PIONEERS OF HER ENTRY INTO THE WORLD WAR  
 AN AVIATION CORPS  
 RECEIVED INTO THE ARMY OF FRANCE  
 20 APRIL 1916

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 L'ESPRIT QUI ANIMA LES VOLONTAIRES DE  
**L'ESCADRILLE LAFAYETTE**  
 FILS DES ÉTATS-UNIS D'AMÉRIQUE  
 PRÉCURSEURS DE LEUR ENTRÉE DANS LA GUERRE MONDIALE  
 CE CORPS D'AVIATEURS  
 FUT REÇU DANS L'ARMÉE FRANÇAISE  
 LE 20 AVRIL 1916

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*(Inscriptions on the Arch of Triumph)*

209 - volontaires  
67 Amer. av.  
2 friends

## THE LAFAYETTE ESCADRILLE

As early as 1914, some of America's youth felt and answered a call to fight in the World War in the armies of France. Of these, a few were at first assigned to various units of the French Aviation. It was not until April 20, 1916, that these Americans were permitted to form a separate squadron, but on that date they became the "Escadrille Américaine". The German Government protesting to the United States Government, which naturally referred this complaint to the French authorities, it was then decided to call the squadron the "Escadrille des Volontaires"; but these youths, moved by the same spirit which had brought Lafayette to the shores of America in the days of her need, adopted with official permission the now famous name of "Escadrille Lafayette"; which name since the war has been popularly applied to the whole Lafayette Flying Corps. There were enlisted in all 209 pilots who served with 66 Pursuit, and 27 Observation and Bombardment Squadrons of French Aviation. Later, 93 of these trained pilots were transferred to the United States Air Service and 26 to United States Naval Aviation. Fifteen were taken prisoners and 67 were killed. The members of the Corps shot down 199 enemy planes and had these victories officially confirmed by the military authorities.

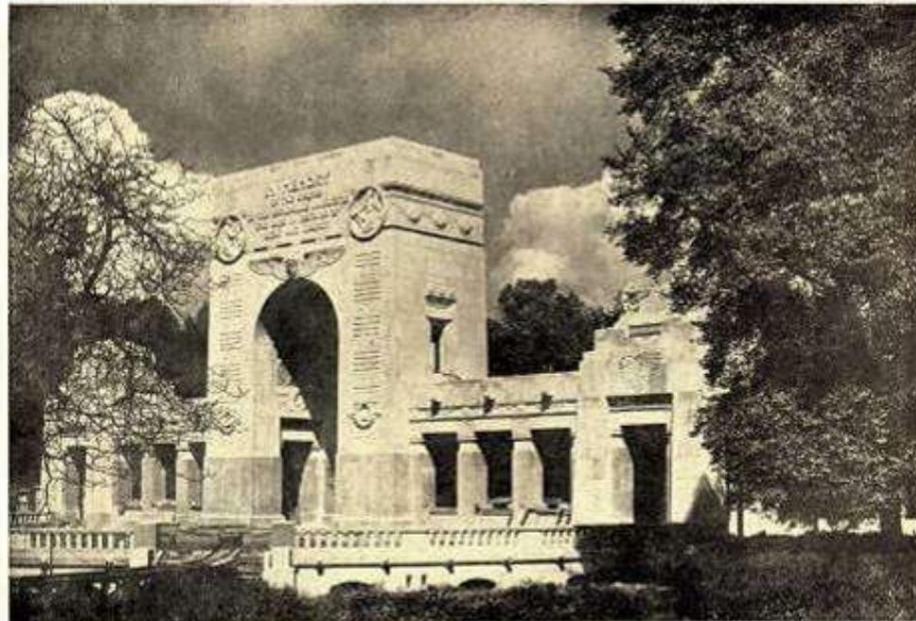
After two years under the French flag and after America's entry into the World War, the "Escadrille Lafayette" became officially the 103rd Pursuit Squadron in the American Army, but in aviation, it was still known as the "Escadrille Lafayette", which name will go down in history as its real title, in France as well as in America, full of symbolic meaning.

In the words of the Wing Commander of Pursuit Squadron 103 :

"The Escadrille Lafayette, organized long before the entry of the United States into the European War, played an important part in bringing home to our people the basic issues of the war. To the French people of future generations the names of its organizers and early pilots must mean what the names of Lafayette and Rochambeau mean to us Americans of this generation."

In his book entitled "The Story of the Lafayette Escadrille", their French Commander, Capitaine Georges Thénault, paid this tribute to the members of the "Lafayette Escadrille" under his command :

"Thus they were the precursors of that mighty awakening of the West,—of that gigantic effort of America,—unparalleled in history—the greatest of all crusades—where every qualified fighting man was enrolled under the Stars and Stripes, for no selfish aim, for no world-conquest, but for the great ideals upon which civilization depends, and for which the entire resources of the nation were unsparingly contributed to assure victory."

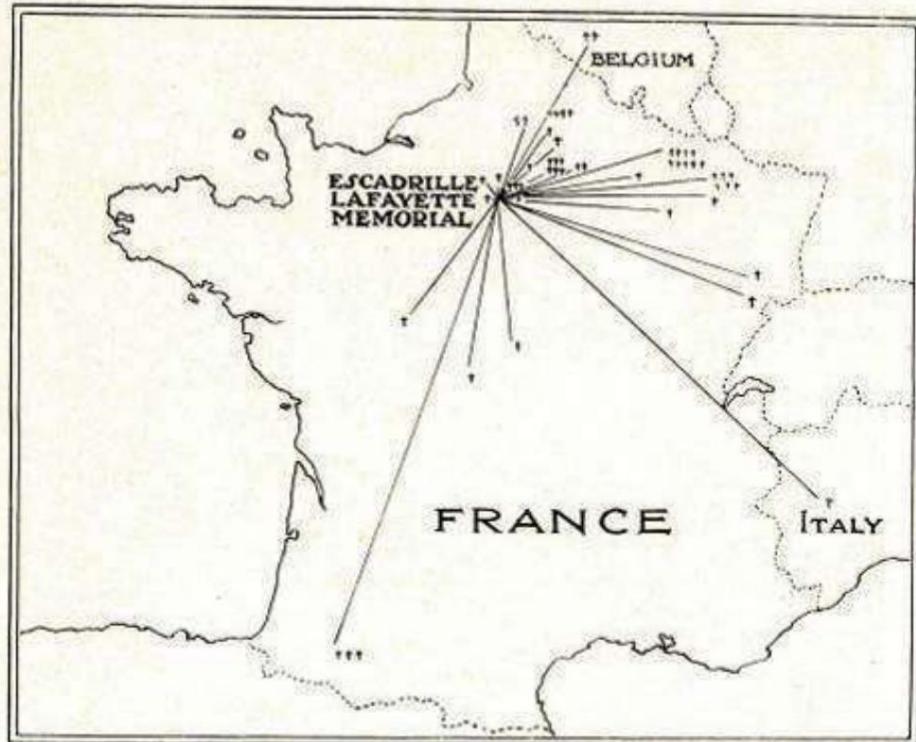


To the  
Mémorial de l'Escadrille Lafayette  
at  
Villeneuve-l'Étang.

France of the many lovers, none than these  
Hath brought you love of an intenser flame,  
These lads that on the wings of morning came  
Far from their homes across the Atlantic seas;  
Soldiers of your immortal chivaltries  
Against the Gothic hordes that burn and maim,—  
Ah! not Thermopylae hath fairer fame  
Than they that sleep here underneath the trees.

They tarried not while elders of the State  
Pondered politic armaments of aid,  
But their long councils laughingly defied :  
France is in peril! shall her lovers wait!  
Their golden youth they gave, and here are laid  
Deep in the arms of France for whom they died.

*Richard Le Gallienne.*



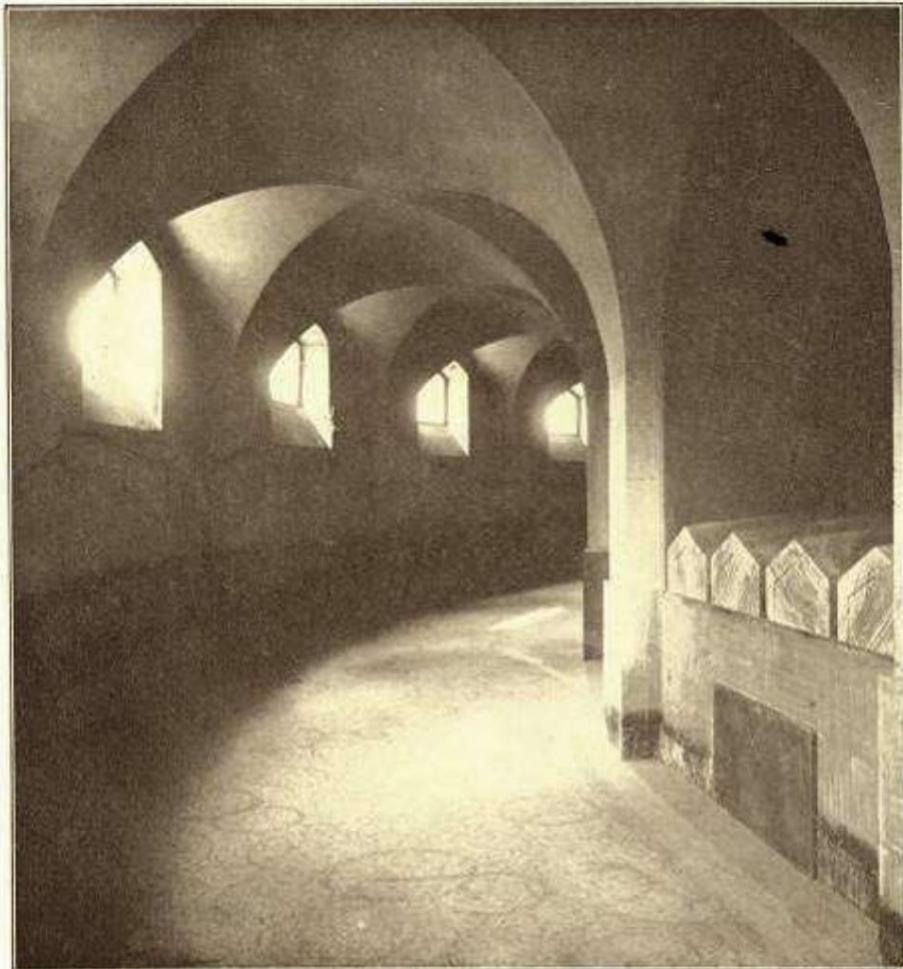
The widely scattered graves in France, Belgium and Italy, where the dead have lain since the War.

*"Let us keep green in our hearts the memory of these heroes. They loved France with the same love that we feel for America, pure and disinterested.*

*They have taught us by their willing sacrifice our common duty to maintain and strengthen the union between the two great peoples. They have shown the way, it is for us to follow it. They died that a new world might be born, it is for us to put into reality their glorious purpose."*

*Andre Tardieu.*

*(From the preface to "The Story of the Lafayette Escadrille")*



The Dead of the Escadrille Lafayette  
Are Commemorated in this Crypt  
They Faced Death Willingly for the Cause They Espoused  
They Rest in the Soil They Defended

"And in their death they were not divided,  
They were swifter than eagles,  
They were stronger than lions."

*II Samuel 1.23*

"Ils n'ont pas été séparés dans leur mort,  
Ils étaient plus légers que les aigles,  
Plus forts que les lions."

*II Samuel 1.25*

*(Inscriptions at the Entrance to the Crypt)*

# The Honor Roll of the Dead

*with dates of death, as they appear on the tombs.*

VICTOR CHAPMAN	SIDNEY RANKIN DREW, Jr.
23 June 1916	19 May 1918
DENNIS DOWD	GERVAIS RAOUl VICTOR LUFBERY
11 August 1916	19 May 1918
NO KIFFIN YATES ROCKWELL	HARRY FIRMSTONE WHELEN JOHNSON
23 September 1916	21 May 1918
NORMAN PRINCE	CARTER LANDRAM OVINGTON
15 October 1916	29 May 1918
JAMES RODGERS McCONNELL	ALAN NEWTON ASH
19 March 1917	31 May 1918
EDMOND CHARLES CLINTON GENET	ALFRED DIGBY PELTON
16 April 1917	31 May 1918
RONALD WOOD HOSKIER	PHILIP WASHBURN DAVIS
23 April 1917	2 June 1918
LEIF NORMAN BARCLAY	ALAN HAMMOND NICHOLS
1 June 1917	2 June 1918
OLIVIER MOULTON CHADWICK	ARTHUR BLUETHENTHAL
14 August 1917	5 June 1918
JULIAN CORNELL BIDDLE	CYRUS FOSS CHAMBERLAIN
18 August 1917	13 June 1918
NORMAN GRIEB	FRANK LEAMAN BAYLIES
28 August 1917	17 June 1918
WILLIAM HENRY MEEKER	WARREN TUCKER HOBES
11 September 1917	25 June 1918
DOUGLAS MacMONAGLE	JAMES HENRY BAUGHAM
24 September 1917	2 July 1918
ANDREW COURTNEY CAMPBELL, Jr.	ROGER HARVEY CLAPP
1 October 1917	6 July 1918
ROBERT MARSHALL HANFORD	DUDLEY GILMAN TUCKER
15 October 1917	8 July 1918
PAUL PAVELKA, Jr.	VERNON BOOTH, Jr.
11 November 1917	10 July 1918
HENRY BREWSTER PALMER	MANDERSON LEHR
12 November 1917	15 July 1918
SAMUEL WIGGINS SKINNER	STEPHEN MITCHELL TYSON
12 November 1917	19 July 1918
ERIC ANDERSON FOWLER	JAMES RALPH DOOLITTLE
27 November 1917	26 July 1918
CHARLES TRINKARD	WALTER BERNARD MILLER
29 November 1917	3 August 1918
BENJAMIN STUART WALCOTT	WILLIAM JOHN MCKERNES
12 December 1917	15 August 1918
FRANK ELMER STARRETT	STUART EMMET EDGAR
3 January 1918	17 August 1918
DUMARESQ SPENCER	HUGH TERRES
22 January 1918	17 August 1918
PHILIP PHILLIPS BENNEY	ANDRE GUNDELACH
26 January 1918	12 September 1918
WILLIAM HALLETT TAILER	DAVID ENDICOTT PUTNAM
5 February 1918	12 September 1918
EDWARD J. LOUGHREN	LINN PALMER COOKSON
18 February 1918	17 September 1918
WALLACE CHARLES WINTER, Jr.	WALTER DAVIS RHENO
8 March 1918	10 October 1918
PHELPS COLLINS	JOSEPH VOLNEY WILSON
12 March 1918	23 October 1918
HOUSTON WOODWARD	MEREDITH LOVELAND DOWD
1 April 1918	26 October 1918
SCHUYLER LEE	ELMER BOWDEN TAYLOR
12 April 1918	27 October 1918
DINSMORE ELY	THEODORE DE KRUIJFF
21 April 1918	6 November 1918
DONALD EDWARD STONE	DAVID McKELVY PETERSON
21 April 1918	16 March 1919
CHARLES WESLEY CHAPMAN, Jr.	LAWRENCE SCANLAN
3 May 1918	25 November 1920
JAMES ALEXANDER BAYNE	
8 May 1918	

## The Lafayette Escadrille Memorial

In March 1923, an Association, the "Mémorial de l'Escadrille Lafayette", was formed under the laws of France, with Ambassador Myron T. Herrick as its President, Marshal Foch as its Honorary President, and with the Patronage of the President of the French Republic and other distinguished statesmen of France. Its creative and administrative organization has been under the direction of those officers and directors whose names have been given on a previous page of this booklet. This Association was organized to give concrete form to the idea, conceived by Lieutenant Edgar Hamilton, a former Lafayette pilot who had remained in the French Foreign Legion, of bringing together in a Memorial the bodies of his comrades and thereby perpetuating the spirit in which they volunteered.

 The objects of the Association as set out in its Charter are :

1. To keep alive in the hearts of men the spirit which inspired the members of the "Escadrille Lafayette", all Americans, to volunteer for the universal cause of Liberty under the Flag of France, before their Country's entrance into the Great War.
2. To erect an enduring monument symbolizing that spirit.
3. To create and maintain for the dead of the Escadrille, a permanent resting-place worthy of their sacrifice.
4. To provide for suitable and appropriate religious observances in this place.
5. To educate the youth of France and of the United States of America in the history of their country and of each other's country, by means of public addresses, publications, and otherwise.
6. To carry on such educational and charitable work in connection with the above general purposes as the resources of the Association may permit.

The Monument is now a reality, though not complete in all those details which are essential to make it a fitting Memorial to the "Escadrille Lafayette". The French Government has shown its appreciation of the part played by that brave band of aviators in the early days of the Great War by agreeing to reserve for the purpose of the Monument, upon its completion and endowment, an adequate site in the historic Park of Villeneuve-l'Etang, Domaine of St. Cloud.

The Memorial has been built by popular subscription, nearly a thousand contributions having been thus far received, ranging from ten francs given by a little bugler in the French Army to two gifts of over half a million francs each.

Through the generosity of the Vice-President of the Association, Mr. William Nelson Cromwell, the perpetual upkeep of the Memorial and of the Park surrounding it, and the formation of the permanent organization to take over the Memorial when completed, the "Lafayette Escadrille Foundation", have been assured by his gift, as Founder, of the sum of Frs. 600,000. The Board of Trustees of the "Lafayette Escadrille Foundation", which will receive the Memorial from the present Association, will be composed of distinguished Government officials, and statesmen and citizens of America and France.

The purpose and vision of the Association, and of the permanent organization, the "Lafayette Escadrille Foundation", is not only to create and preserve in perpetuity the Monument and Sanctuary to the brave pilots who came to fly for France long before their country was free to enter the Great War, but to make of that Memorial a present living place of homage and consecration for those Americans and French who, from day to day,

and especially on days of national celebration, will gather before this shrine to American manhood, and also, as time goes on, to permit of the development of this Memorial to the purposes of patriotic and inspirational education, in the history of America and of France, of those who may come within its portals.

Few spots in the famous forests of France are as suitable for these purposes as is the Park in which the Monument is now erected. Its wondrous beauties of verdure and lake served as the subject matter of many of the great paintings of the well-loved Corot, who lived in his neighboring villa and gave to posterity his immortal landscapes. Other famous artists have also perpetuated in innumerable paintings its majestic trees and its grass-grown glades.

There is a tranquillity within the park which makes it most fitting to be the last resting-place of the sixty-seven dead of the "Escadrille Lafayette", whose bodies have lain since the war in graves scattered through France, Belgium, and Italy, as well as to commemorate the surviving heroes who so nobly fought for the cause they espoused, and survived their many battles in the air.

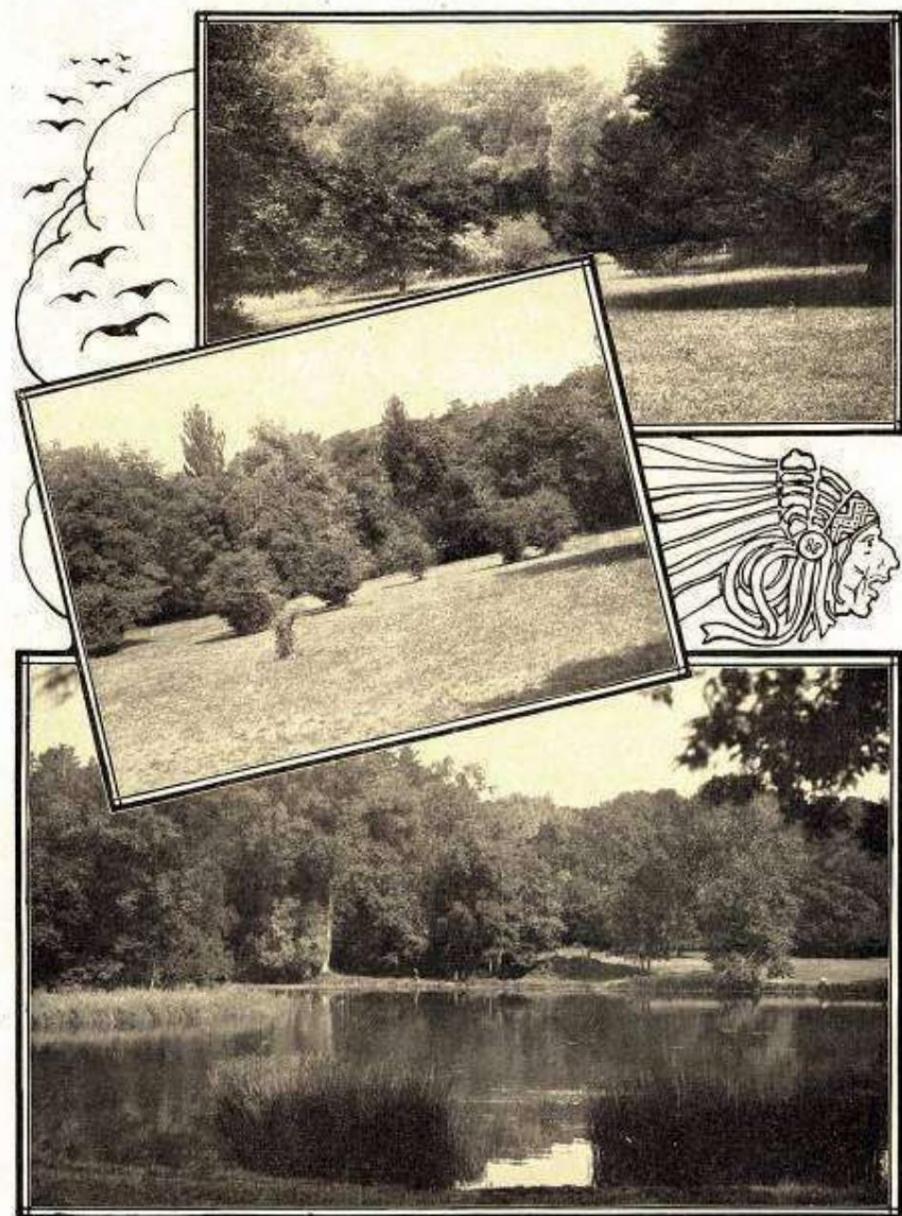
Being less than eight miles from the heart of Paris, midway to Versailles, the Memorial will be a place of pilgrimage for the citizens of all the Allies, and one of the most important Monuments of the Great War. Frequent patriotic reunions will take place at this shrine.

The Memorial is composed principally of an Arch of Triumph and a Sanctuary or Crypt, the being nearly half the size of the Arc de Triomphe de l'Etoile, under which lies the body of France's Unknown Soldier of the World War. On the stone facades of the Arch are inscribed the names not only of the dead but of the surviving pilots, as well as the names of the battlefields upon which they performed such glorious deeds. Under the Arch are the insignia of various squadrons, French and American, in which members of the "Escadrille Lafayette" fought. The central arch is flanked by colonnades, at the ends of which are two pavilions, decorated with American eagles and the sculptured flags of France and America. The passages under the Arch are surmounted by two medallions, reproductions of Lafayette's head from the noted equestrian statue by Paul Bartlett in the Courtyard of the Louvre, and of the head of Washington from the famous Houdon statue. Stairways under the colonnades lead down to a great semi-circular Sanctuary where the remains of the sixty-seven dead will repose. Large windows permit the daylight to flood through to the seventeen niches just opposite which constitute the tomb, on which are engraved the names and dates of death of each pilot.

In this inspiring Sanctuary the fallen heroes will lie forever, side by side in death as they fought in life. Those whose bodies have never been found will nevertheless have their places there.

Through the centuries this Memorial will perpetuate the heroism of their sacrifice and will give undying testimony to the brotherhood of America and France as Allies in times of peace as in days of battle, and to the ideals for which these pilots fought and died.

The designer of the Memorial, M. Alexandre Marcel, Member of the Institute, one of France's foremost architects, holds the post of Chief Architect of the Government and Curator of the Historic Monuments of France. The decorative sculpture is by MM. Marcel Renard and Ernest Dubois.



THE PARK OF VILLENEUVE L'ÉTANG, IN WHICH THE MEMORIAL LIES.

## The French Officers of the Escadrille Lafayette

Commandant PHILIPPE FEQUANT

Commandant ANTONIN BROCARD

Capitaine GEORGES THÉNAULT

<sup>†</sup> Lieutenant ALFRED DE LAAGE DE MEUX (killed May 23, 1917)

<sup>†</sup> Lieutenant ARNOUX DE MAISON-ROUGE (killed May 31, 1918)

<sup>†</sup> Lieutenant LOUIS VERDIER FAUVETY (killed August 21, 1918)



JIM McCONNELL, KIFFIN ROCKWELL, CAPT. THÉNAULT, NORMAN PRINCE, VICTOR CHAPMAN  
(the Founder)

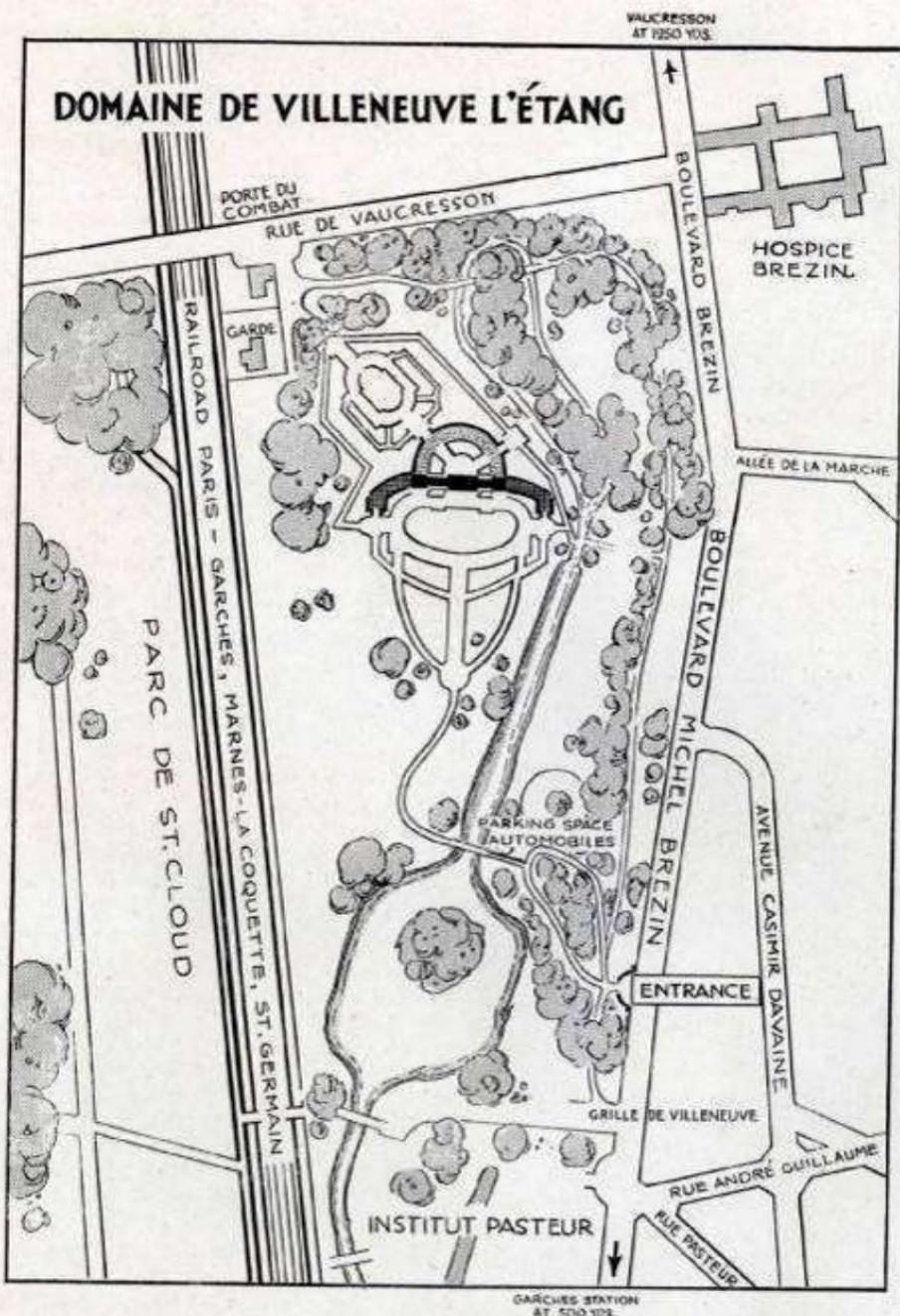
The first four pilots of the Escadrille Lafayette to be killed, and their Captain

(Photograph taken at Luxeuil, April 20, 1916)

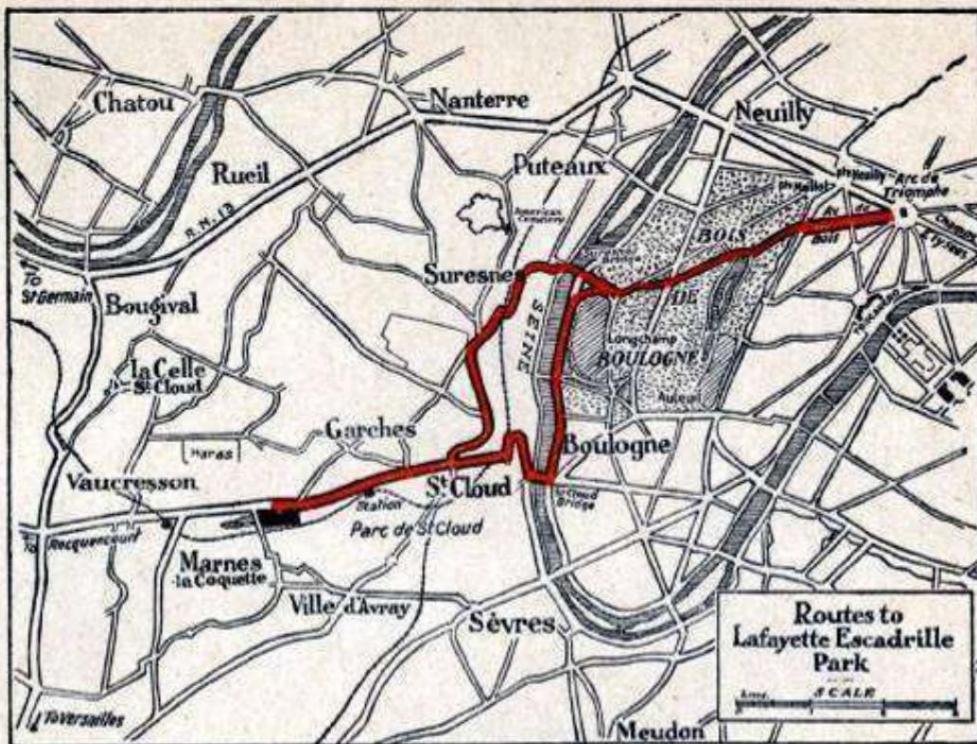
## Surviving Members of the Lafayette Escadrille and Lafayette Flying Corps

*In order of enlistment in the French Army*

JULES JAMES BACH	CHARLES HERBERT WILCOX	CHARLES McILVAINE KINSOLVING
EDGAR JOHN BOULIGNY	GEORGE EVANS TURNURE, JR.	ROBERT EMERY READ
HERMAN LINCOLN CHATKOFF	CHARLES WAYNE KERWOOD	UPTON SUPPLE SULLIVAN
ROBERT SOUBIRAN	JOSEPH CHARLES STEHLIN	WILLIAM AUGUSTUS WELLMAN
WILLIAM THAW	JOHN RUSSELL ADAMES	HERMAN WHITMORE
FREDERICK WILLIAM ZINN	PAUL FRANK BAER	THOMAS BRADLEY BUFFUM
LOUIS CHARTON	CALEB JAMES COATSWORTH, JR.	JAMES ALEXANDER CONNELLY, JR.
PIERRE DE LAGARDE BOAL	EDGAR GUÉRARD HAMILTON	REGINALD SINCLAIRE
MARIUS ROMAIN ROCLE	SERENO THORP JACOB	CHARLES CHESTER BASSETT, JR.
WILLIAM EDWARD DUGAN, JR.	LEONARD MINOR RENO	CHARLES GOSSAGE GREY
DIDIER MASSON	CHARLES THOMAS MALONE	JASPER CORNISH BROWN
FRAZIER CURTIS	CHARLES MAURY JONES	DAVID WILBER LEWIS
ELLIOT CHRISTOPHER COWDIN	MARCELLUS EDWARD WILD	ALVIN ALEXANDER CUSHMAN
DUDLEY LAWRENCE HILL	WAINWRIGHT ABBOTT	BENJAMIN HESTER BAIRD
CARROLL DANA WINSLOW	CHARLES JOHN BIDDLE	THOMAS HITCHCOCK, JR.
CHARLES CHOUTEAU JOHNSON	HERSCHEL JESSUP MCKEE	JAMES McMILLEN
LAWRENCE RUMSEY	ALFRED HOLT STANLEY	WILLIAM BLACKSTOCK RODGERS, JR.
HORACE CLYDE BALSLEY	RUSSELL FALCONER STEARNS	LESLIE RAY TABER
JEAN HUTTER	CHARLES HERBERT VEIL	WALTER RAYMOND YORK
WILLIS BRADLEY HAVILAND	AUSTIN GILLETTE PARKER	HUGH GORDON CAMPBELL
FREDERICK HENRY PRINCE, JR.	PHILIP NELSON BUSH	EDWIN BRADLEY FAIRCHILD
ROBERT LOCKERBIE ROCKWELL	CHRISTOPHER WILLIAM FORD	GEORGE MARION KYLE
WARWICK D. WORTHINGTON	EDWARD CHARLES CORSI	HUGO ALDEN KENYON
KENNETH PROCTOR LITTAUER	NATHANIEL EDMUND DUFFY	ARTHUR LAWRENCE CUNNINGHAM
STEPHEN SOHIER BIGELOW	ROBERT LOWELL MOORE	THOMAS GANTZ CASSADY
THOMAS MOSES HEWITT, JR.	CLARENCE BERNARD SHONINGER	ROBERT BENTLEY HOEBER
EDWIN CHARLES PARSONS	CLARENCE HOGGSON FAITH	GORMAN DE FREEST LARNER
WALTER LOVELL	GEORGE GALE WILLARD	GEORGE CLARK MOSELEY
HAROLD BUCKLEY WILLIS	LESTER STRAYER BRADY	KENNETH ALBERT ROTHAMEL
EDWARD FOOTE HINKLE	GLENN NELSON SITTERLY	ALAN FRANCIS WINSLOW
KENNETH MARR	FEARCHAR IAN FERGUSON	CEDRIC GERALD FAUNTLEROY
RAY CLAFLIN BRIDGMAN	DAVID EDWARD JUDD	WILLIAM GRAHAM BULLEN
ARCHIBALD BURTT JOHNSTON	CHARLES BERNARD NORDHOFF	ROBERT GRIMSHAW EOFF
CHARLES HEVEY DOLAN, JR.	WILLIAM ETHELBERT WASS	DAVID SHELDON PADEN
DABNEY HORTON	CHARLES RAYMOND BLAKE	AUSTEN BALLARD CREHORE
GEORGE ARCHIBALD McCALL	WILLIAM THOMAS PONDER	JOHN FRANCIS RANDALL
JAMES NORMAN HALL	CLARENCE MERRITT GLOVER	ALAN AUGUSTUS COOK
LELAND LASELL ROUNDS	WILLIAM FITCH LOOMIS	RUSSELL BRACKEN COREY
JOHN ARMSTRONG DREXEL	LEO ERNEST BENOIT	DAVID WADE GUY
HENRY SWEET JONES	JOHN ROWELL COTTON	RALPH LANE LOOMIS
BENNETT ARTHUR MOLTER	GEORGE DOCK, JR.	HENRY ELMER STICKNEY
ROBERT LOUIS DONZÉ	JOSEPH FRANCIS GILL	WILLIAM CAREY VAN FLEET, JR.
GRANVILLE ALEXANDER POLLOCK	HAROLD YOUNG SAXON	RUFUS RANDALL RAND, JR.
EVERETT TIMOTHY BUCKLEY	CLIFTON BADLAM THOMPSON	HENRY AUGUSTUS BACHELOR, 3RD
FRANK WILLARD WELLS	LOUIS LESLIE BYERS	JAMES MURRAY GRIER
DANIEL ELLIOT HUGER	DONALD HERBERT ELDREDGE	WALTER JOHN SHAFFER
JOHN JOYCE WHITMORE	HENRY FORSTER	ELLISON CONVERSE BOOGS
	EARL W. HUGHES	



THE PARK OF VILLENEUVE L'ETANG SHOWING SITE OF THE MONUMENT.



*How to reach the Memorial from Paris.*

**By automobile :**

1. From the Arc de Triomphe de l'Etoile, drive through the Bois de Boulogne and cross the Seine by the Pont de Suresnes ; take the Boulevard de Versailles, through Suresnes and St. Cloud, to the Place Magenta ; then, turning to the right, take the Rue Pasteur, the Boulevard de St. Cloud, and the Boulevard Brézin (i.e. the same street with changing name), thus arriving by straight road at the entrance to the Memorial Park (which is about 500 yards after passing the Garches railroad station). Autos may enter the Park and drive to a Parking Space within 100 yards of the Monument.

2. From the Arc de Triomphe de l'Etoile, drive through the Bois de Boulogne and cross the Seine by the Pont de St. Cloud ; cross the Place Georges-Clemenceau and take the Rue Dally at the right, up the steep hill, past the upper St. Cloud railroad station, then follow the Rue Gounod to the Place Magenta, from which the route is the same as in the preceding paragraph.

3. A slightly longer but more beautiful route from the Pont de St. Cloud is to take the Avenue du Palais to the main entrance of the Parc de St. Cloud (entrance fee for autos, 6 francs) ; through the Parc by the main Allée de Marnes, and to the left at the end of this Allée, reaching the Porte Blanche by a winding road through the forest : through the little town of Marnes-la-Coquette and abruptly to the right by the Rue de Vaucresson, thus arriving at the Hospice Brézin on the main highway, Boulevard Brézin, which follow to the right to the entrance to the Memorial Park (about 400 yards).

**By train :**

From the Gare St. Lazare, trains leave every half hour for Garches, which is reached in about thirty minutes. On leaving the railroad station, turn to the left, and a walk of 500 yards along the Boulevard Brézin brings you to the entrance of the Memorial Park.

Returning, one may cross the railroad by the Pasteur foot-bridge into the Parc de St. Cloud, follow the main Allée de Marnes to the main entrance at St. Cloud, and take tramway, train, or boat from their respective stations on the Place Georges Clemenceau.

**By boat :**

The Seine boats may be boarded at convenient points in Paris, and after an agreeable journey of 45 minutes, the passenger arrives at St. Cloud just at the bridge, and mounting to the Place Georges-Clemenceau, enters the Parc de St. Cloud and follows the reverse of the route given in the preceding paragraph.



HERBERT CLARKE  
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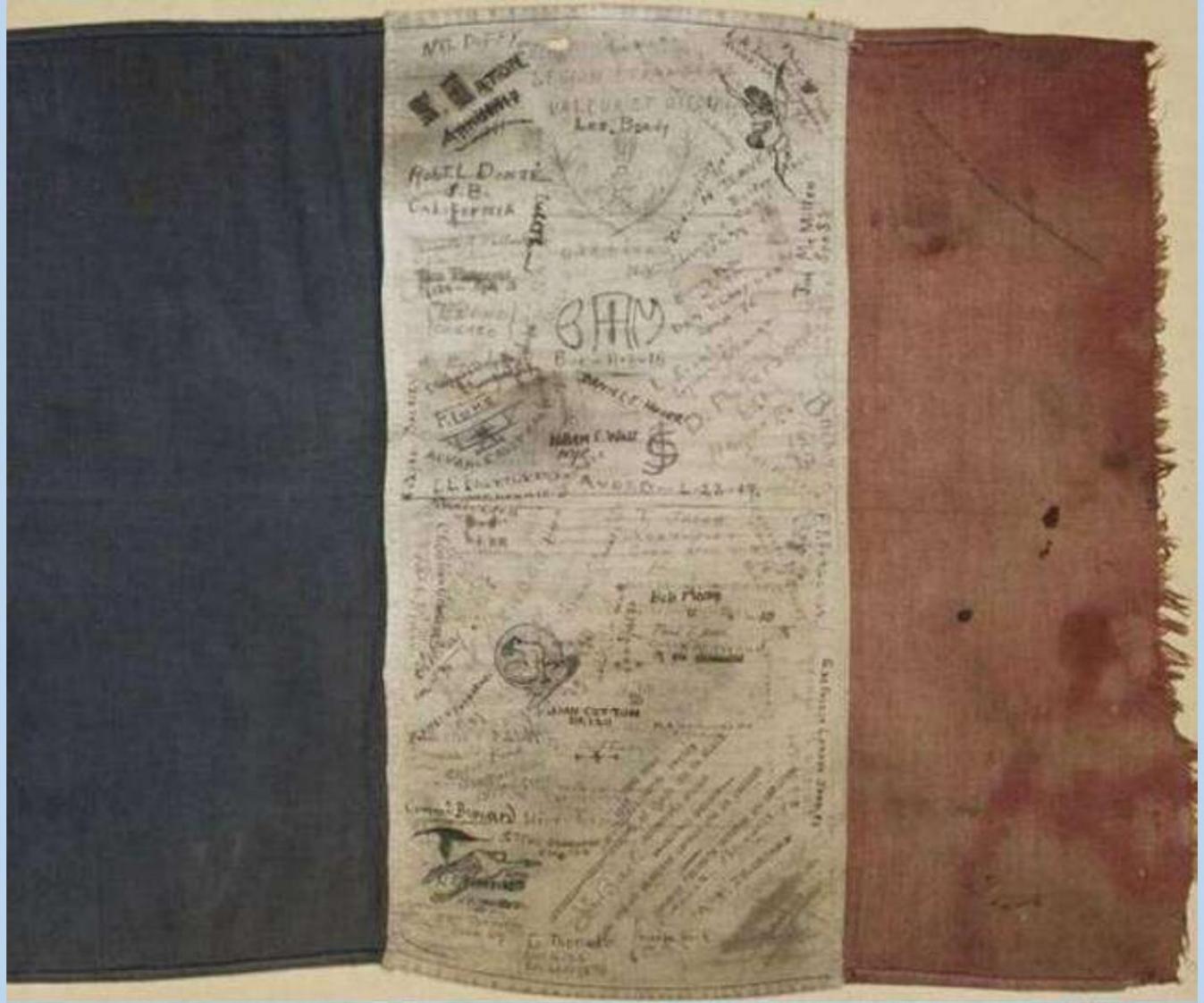
### **The Inauguration and its Environment**

## Chapter 07- The Common Brochure

## -Notes

A simplified, but slightly different, version has been published at a lower cost and we cannot fail to share it with you so that you can share all our knowledge of this fabulous day.

**French flag bearing the signatures of the Lafayette squadron**  
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This Memorial

is dedicated to:

The Heralds of the American Conscience  
and

The Pioneers of Her Mighty Effort  
in the World War

THE ESCADRILLE LAFAYETTE  
An Aviation Corps

Composed of American Volunteers

Officially Received as a Unit  
into the Army of France  
on April 1918

"Your old men shall then dream,  
Your young men shall no more."



The Souvenir Crypt (Architect's Model)



Forest of Connaught, August 1927

The Dead

of the Escadrille Lafayette

Repose or are Commemorated in the Crypt Below

They faced Death Willingly

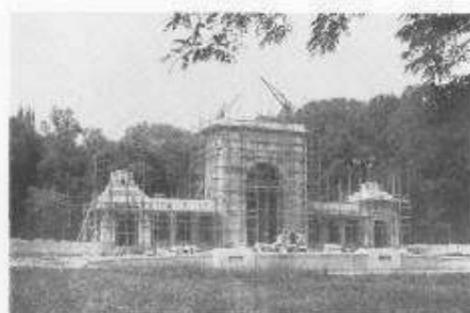
for the Cause They Exposed

They Rest in the Soil They Defended

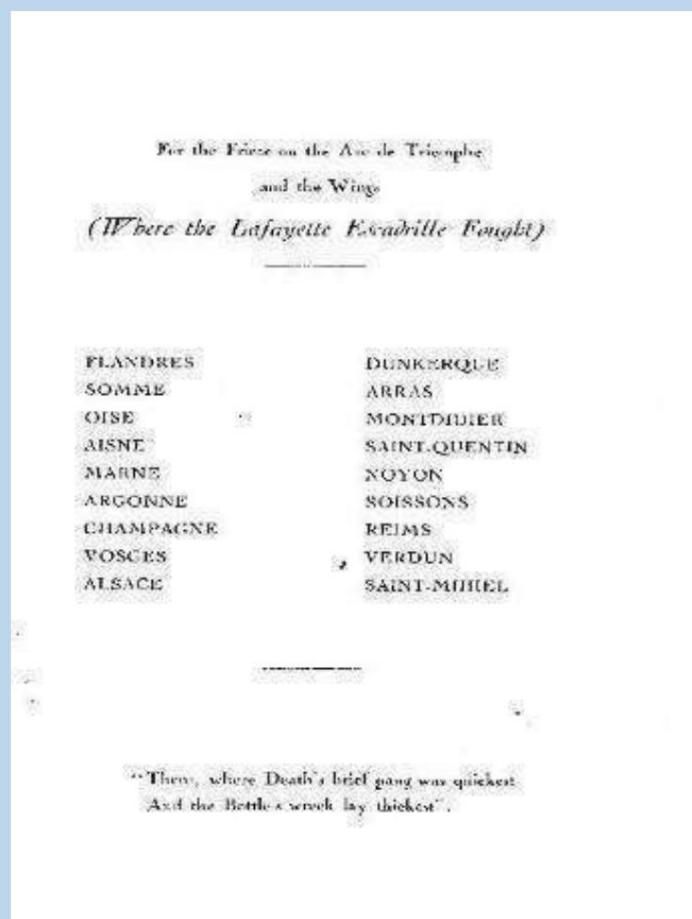
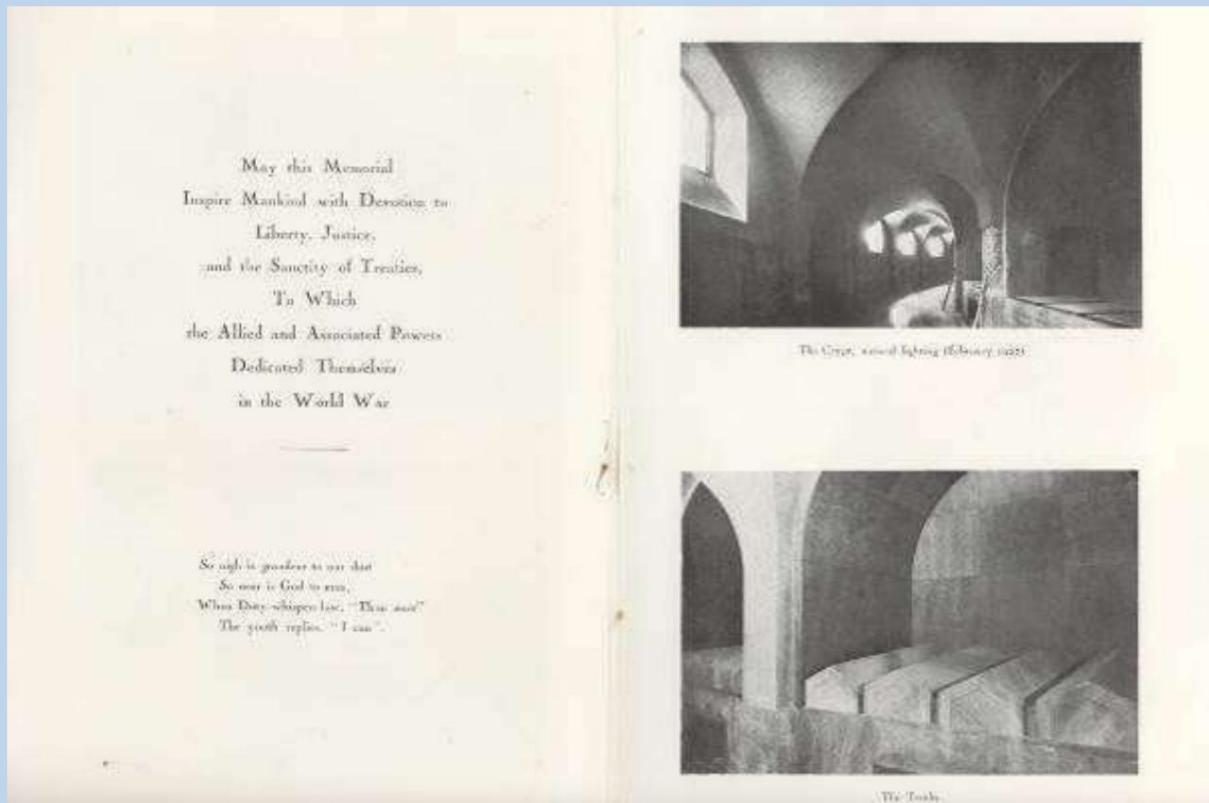
"And at Death they see no darkness,  
They see only their sights,  
They see danger than him."



The Arc de Triomphe and Wings (Architect's Model)



Site of Construction, August 1927



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**Chapter 08- The Golden Book**

**-The Guest Book Order**

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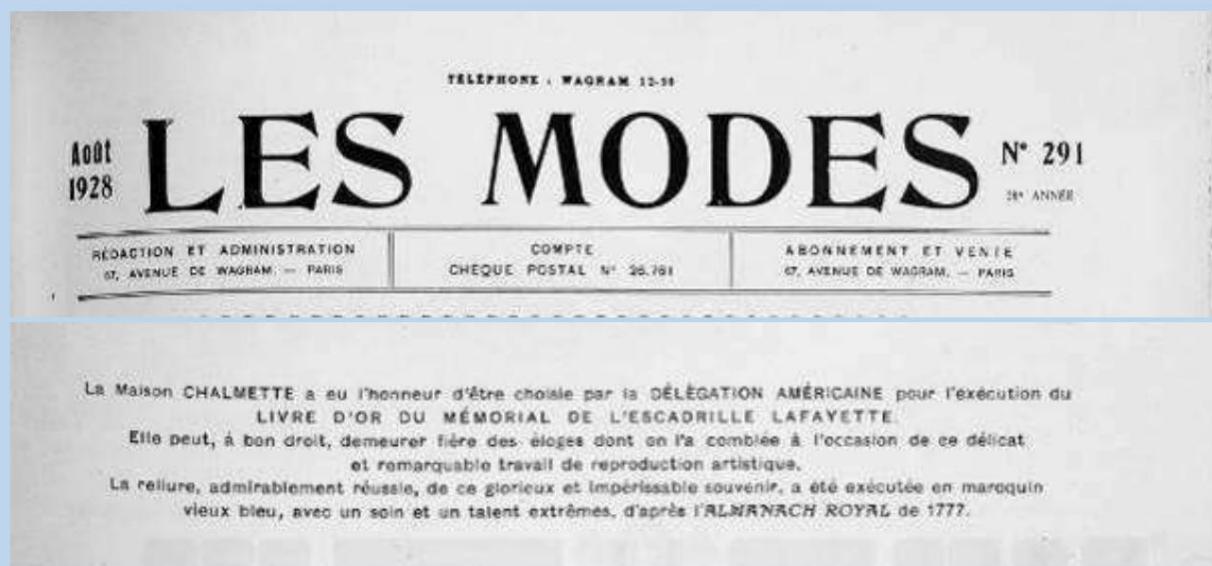
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We are happy to share it with readers.

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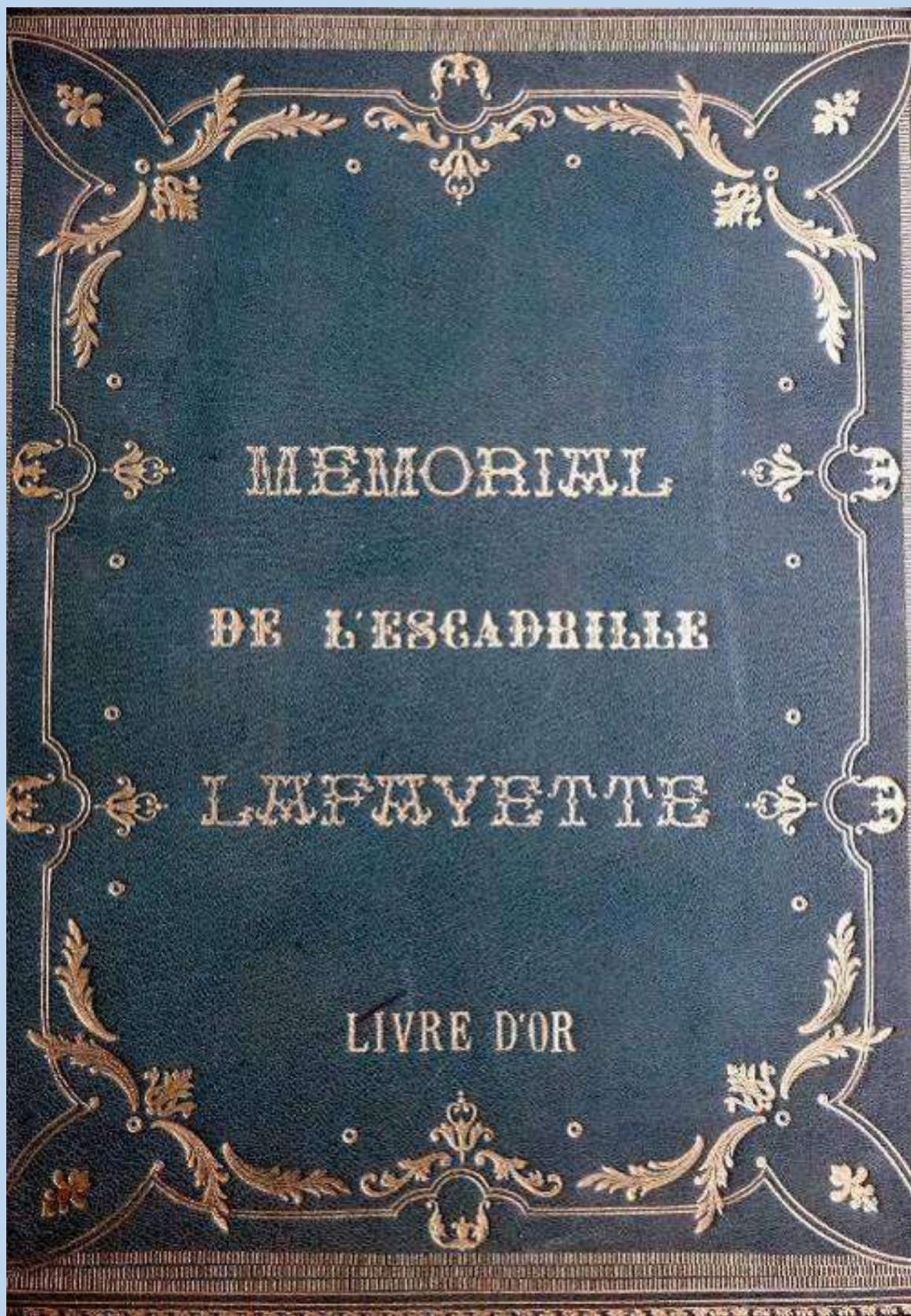
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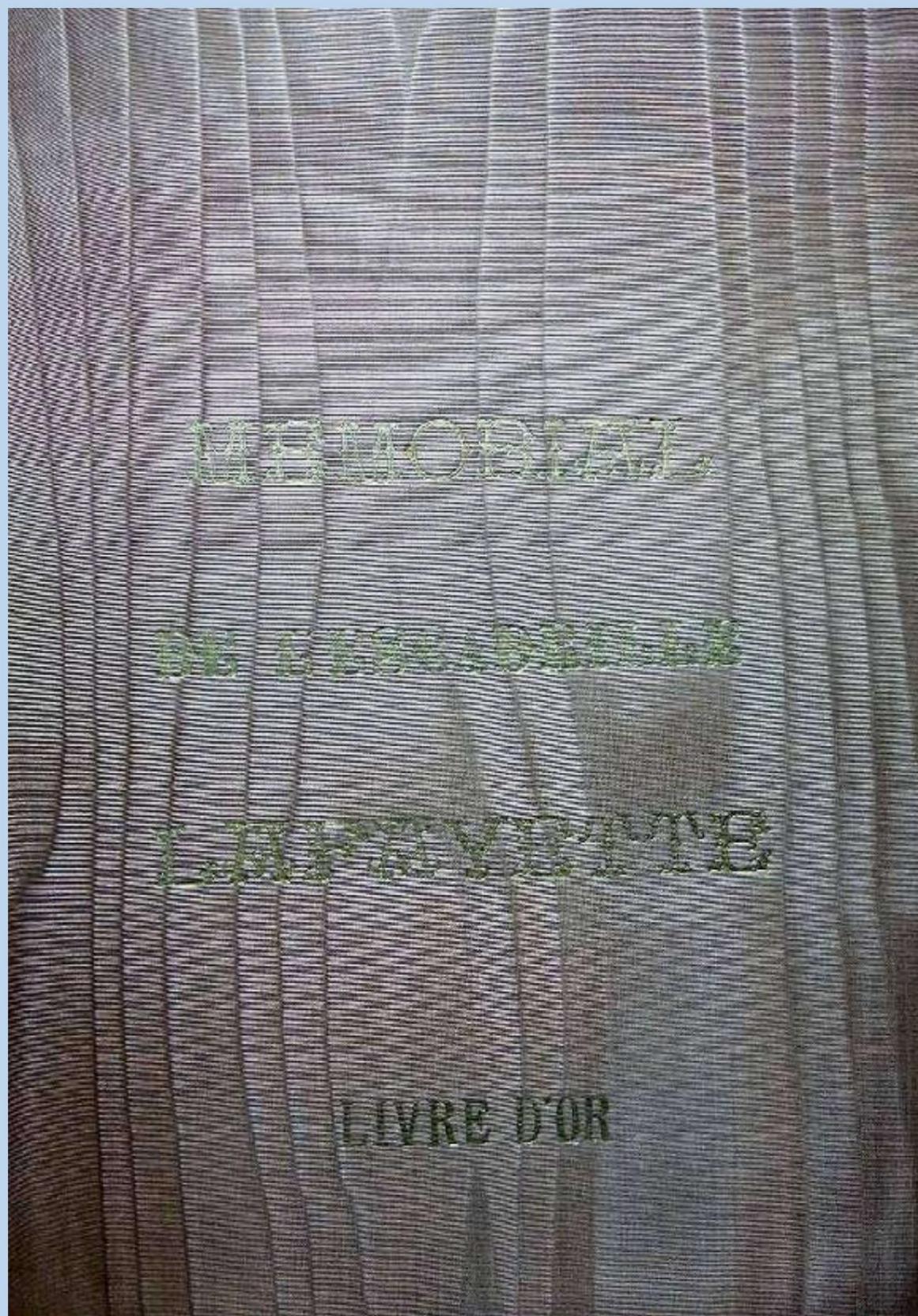


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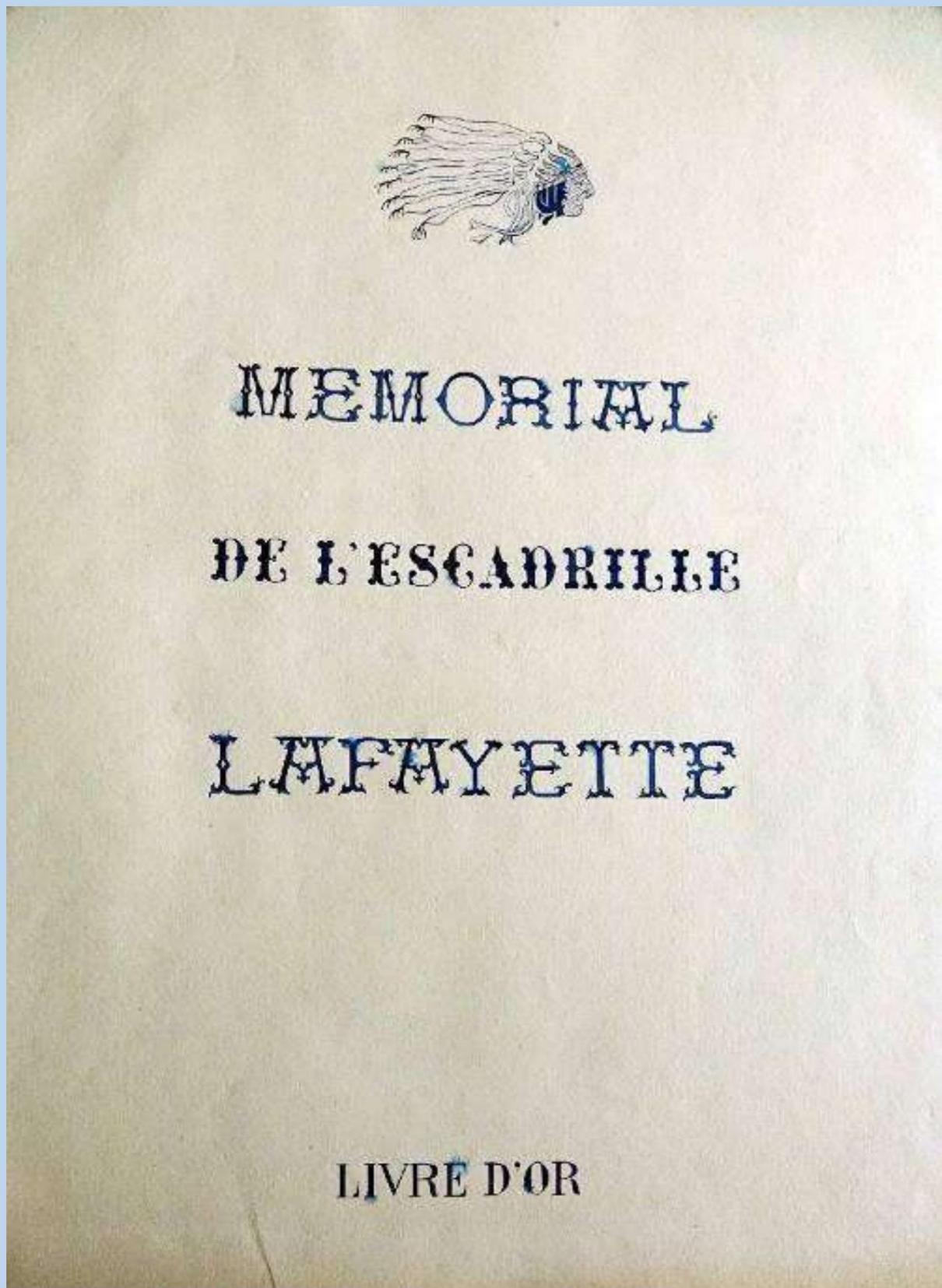
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-04 -Pilot Page-Pilot Names Added to a Reproduction

The Pilots of the Lafayette Escadrille  
and Flying Corps

Edwin C. Parsons

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James Bach

James Bach

T. G. Cassady

Thomas G. Cassady

Granville A. Pollock

Granville A. Pollock

~~Edgar G. Hamilton~~

Edgar G. Hamilton

Austin Gillette Parker

Austin Gillette Parker

Richard Bullen

Richard Bullen

Hugo Kenyon

Hugo Kenyon

George Dock Jr

George Dock, Jr

Clarence M. Glover

Clarence M. Glover

Robert Soubiran

Robert Soubiran

Herman Whitmore

Herman Whitmore

Kenneth Rothamel

Kenneth Rothamel

John Adams

John Adams

John Buffum  
Clarence B. Shoninger

Thomas Buffum  
Clarence B. Shoninger

Austin B. Crehore

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Jasper C. Brown  
Lelan Raounds

Jasper C. Brown

Charles C. Grey  
William F. Loomis

Lelan Raounds

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William F. Loomis

Alvin A. Cushman

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-04-Pilots Page-Reproduced from the Original

The Pilots of the Lafayette Escadrille  
and Flying Corps

Edwin D. Parsons

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Granville A. Tollock

John Gerard Smith

Arthur Barker

Robert Bullitt

Henry A. Kenyon

George Dack Jr.

Clarence M. Goss

Peter Reutimann

Harmon Whitmore

Fernell R. Barnes

John Adimes

Tom Buffum

Clarence B. Schoninger

Austin B. Treadway

Jasper C. Brown

Franklin Round

Wiley

William F. Lewis

Al Cushman

05-Signature of Officials

Inauguration  
du Monument de l'Écadrille Lafayette

au Lac de Villeneuve-l'Étang,  
Commune de Marnes-la-Coquette (Seine-et-Oise)

le 11 Juillet 1928

sous la Présidence de S. E. Myron E. Merrick,  
L'ambassadeur des États-Unis en France

William J. Manning Bishop of New York.

Alfred Grind Paul Revere

Edmund Gros W. A. Hammick. Farnsworth

F. Faubert, General Consul

Alexander M. Knobell Mexican Consul General

M. de Sillat, ministre plénipotentiaire

Alfred M. Moore. Frederick, Clark & Gifford, Incorporated

General Gauvillier & Léonard de Bar. Rénier

Sidney B. Cutt Pres Paris France Chapter National Aeronautic Assn.  
U.S.A.

Talavera, *Signature* Vice-président de la Fédération aéronautique  
L'abordière, ministre Marnes-la-Coquette *Signature*  
*Signature* *Signature*

## 06-Some Officials and Start of Guest Signatures

Capitaine de vaisseau Estero - représentant le capitaine de la Marine  
 Major Bertrand Yount Alfred Beaumain  
 Asst Military Attaché for the  
 American Embassy  
Cmt Y. Glinsky de l'armée Polonoise  
General, com<sup>te</sup> ancien à l'armée polonoise  
Ouid l'espion Luhacowicz, off. milit. de Tchelcowsky  
Jusserand Lach de Guignes  
W. de Gaspard B. de Monet  
Conseiller militaire Colonel  
Lucie Demme Baron de Los Angeles V.P. de Beaumain  
Baronne Los Angeles Le du Chaffaud  
Margot Ric " Father  
Ed. Mitterrand " de  
Emile J. Sharp Barthélémy Philippe  
Marquis de Chambren " Margot  
Député " Paul Verrier  
Lonis Ric Baron de  
Parteur J.C. Bullewinkel Harper  
J.P. Harris de Long John John  
Edouard Baron Richard  
22. Régiment Prince Blondell  
" " Mrs. Kite  
" " Forster  
" " "

### 07-Signatures of the Guests

08- Signatures of the Guests

M. Meunier  
 (Ministre du Panama)  
 Edward Murphy.  
 Catherine & Leslie  
 Frederick B. Beckman  
 Dean of Holy Trinity, Paris  
 Captain D. L. Ligon Dept. of France  
 G. M. Baile Grand Chancellerie de la Legion d'honneur  
 Grande Bretagne pour la Marine. Cedric Webb Vice President  
 La Roumanie " " " P. Ciolan  
 Royaume de Serbie, Croatie et Slavonie. Vladimiro Prodanovitch  
 Italie - de la Sida - Conf. du Prince  
 Commander Mark St. Clare Ellis N. S. Navy  
 Emil Fels  
 Panama du Combattant (Colonel Brocard)  
 urosoph A. N. C. P. Helmut Leder & Cie  
 M. de Tremont. Association des Sphinx  
 K. Nagai Aya - Association des Engagé Volontaire Etranger  
 Adolphe - Mr. President Belisario, M<sup>me</sup> des Grands Moulins  
 Côte de La Paula au nom de l'Aero Club de Paris  
 du Comité pour le progrès de la aéronautique, ou la Ligue  
 aéronautique de Paris  
 A. Tocqueville Mr. President Interpreters of the Past Mr  
 C. G. Renault  
 C. M. Deshayes (Signed) M. Renault  
 et les Invitations de l'Académie Nationale

09- Signatures of the Guests

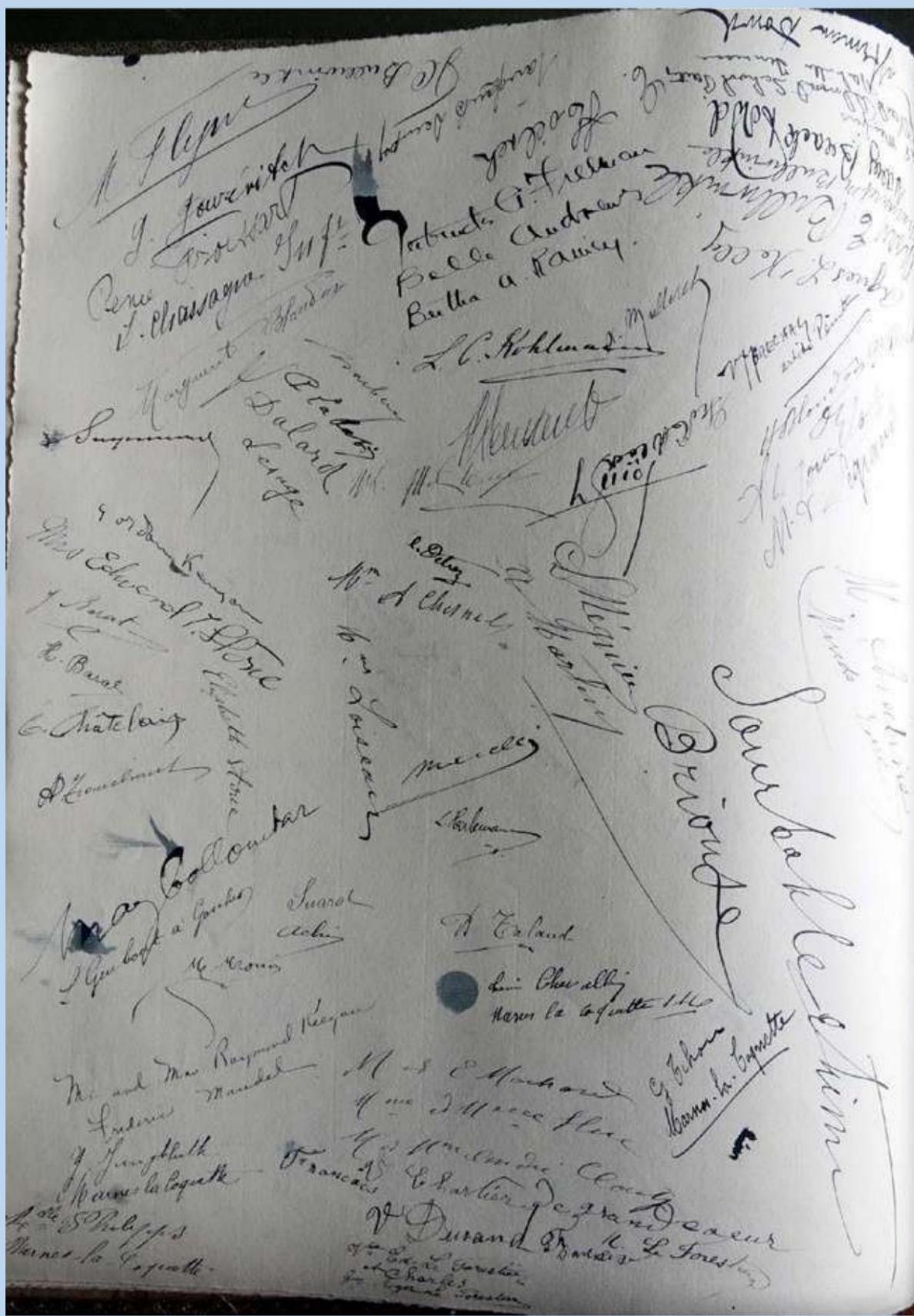
Mr. H. Reinmar Sgt.  
 C. Beauvais - Captain  
 R. H. Jones. } Color Bearers.  
 R. F. Jones.  
 S. P. Rippel }  
 E. Main.  
 J. M. Deacon } Escort Boys Part No. 1  
 C. I. Myers } American Legion.  
 Lu Maggio  
 R. S. Claiborne  
 L. Hagon  
 - 11. 11. c.  
 French Legion and American Federation of American  
 Mrs. Beauvais } Color Bearers  
 Mrs. Rippel } Paris Unit No. 1  
 Mrs. de Pasqua  
 Mrs. W. H. Walker American Legion Auxiliary  
 Mr. Peter de Pasqua } Veterans of Foreign Wars  
 Mr. Fred (Baptist) } Paris  
 Mr. P. J. Klein  
 Mr. P. Walker      Barclays 18-20 Avenue de l'Opera, Paris.  
 Mr. Bruch      president des Volontaires International  
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 Bruch  
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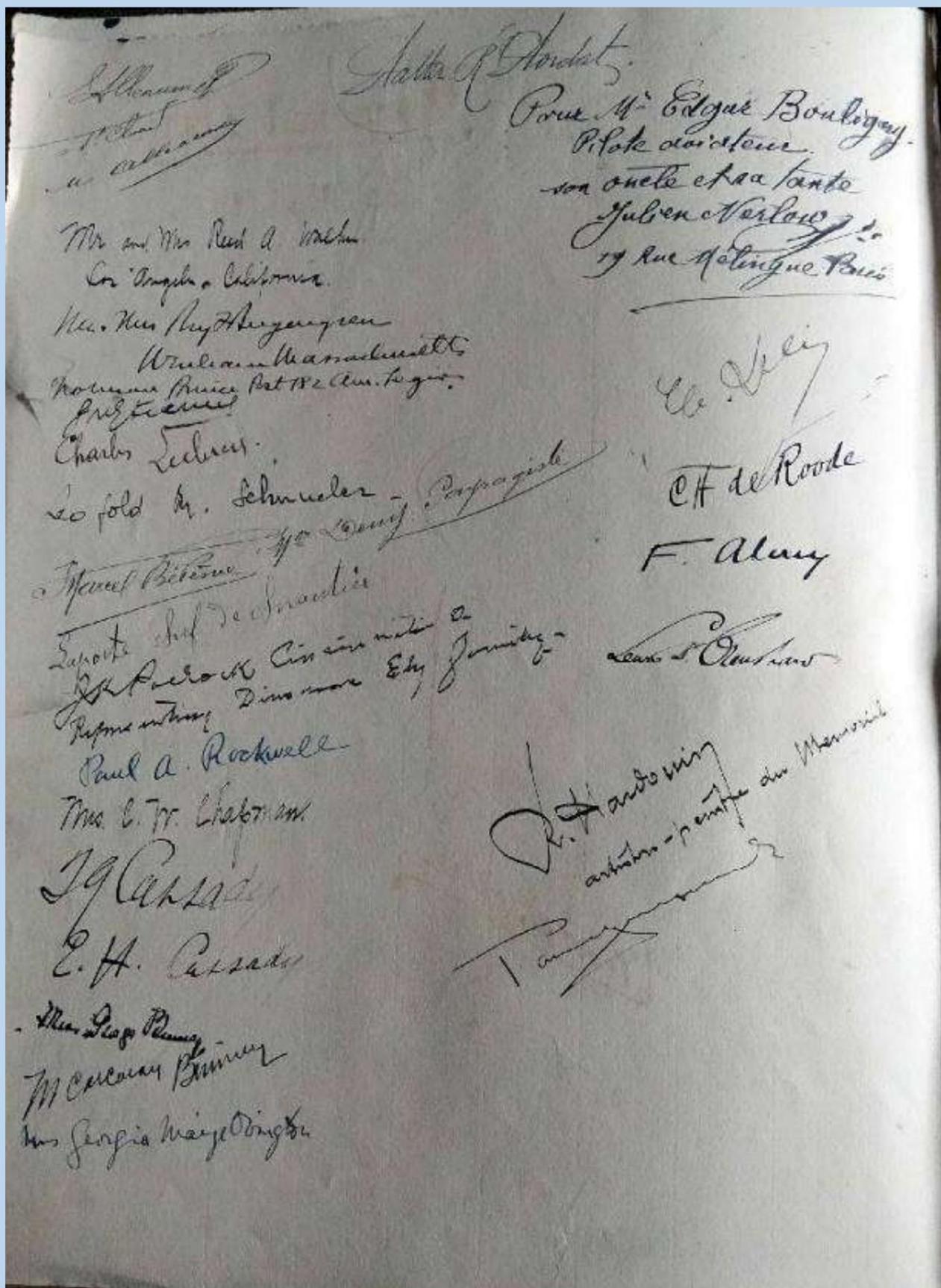
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 Fr. Blažek } de Tchecoslovaquie (Prague)  
  
 Vogel Paul B. and Mary  
 Marguerite Castelbel  
 Francis E. Drake — *W.C. Renard.*  
 and W. Ripley  
 Andrew Courtney Campbell  
 and Cornelia Campbell  
 by Amelie Murray  
 Pauline van Remond Deact  
 Anna S. Robinson Garrison von Welt  
 Senator F. Brown Hartford Conn. USA  
 L. L. Leavenworth  
 Mrs. Condoleezza Puffett  
  
 Georges Bonnefons  
 Député de Seine-et-Oise  
 (de la révolution en 1848)  
  
 Académie Porfirio Llowski Presidente das Páginas de France  
 Committee for Free Blinded in Palestine  
 W.C. G. Grey *Les Páginas de France*  
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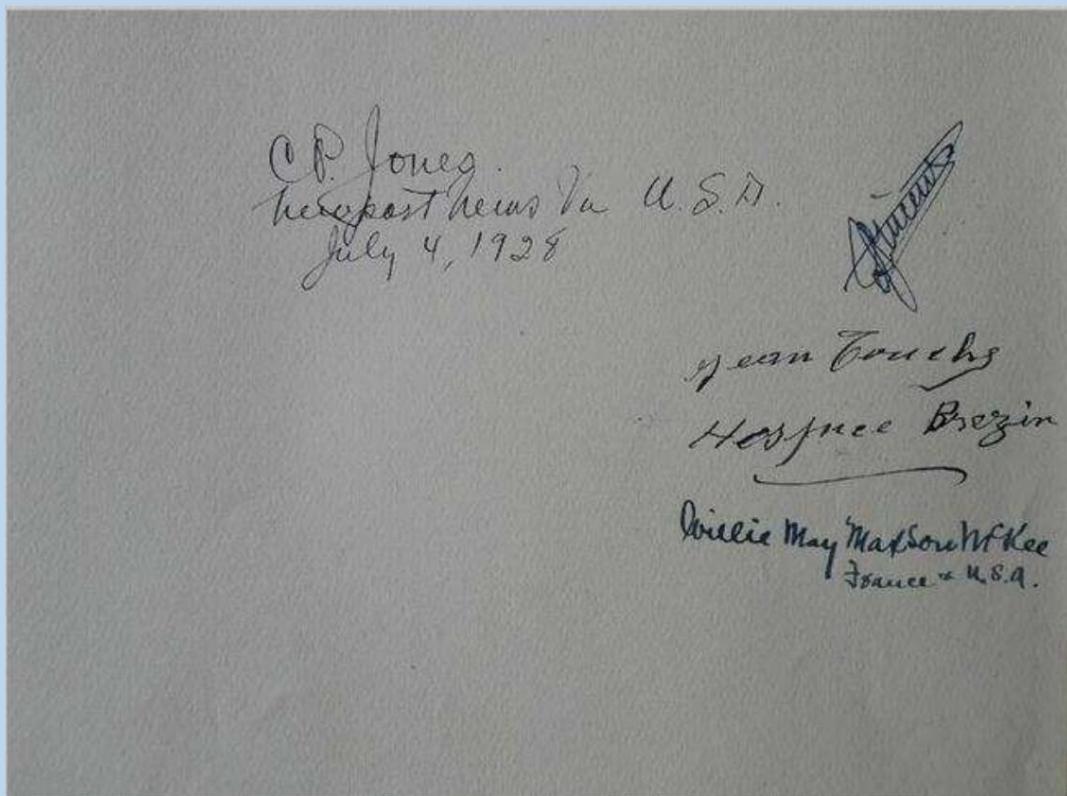
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This printed list is the last in a long series of lists then written by hand and including numerous corrections and annotations. In this volume, it will be followed by another similar list, but computerized for those of you who wish to undertake more in-depth research. (See Chap. 10). Some people of the time will say that the period of creation of these lists, was equivalent to the time spent during the construction of the Monument. These statements are probably exaggerated but they reflect the difficulty of their compilation.

There are no fewer than 20 official lists established between 1926 and 1930 by the Memorial Association to list the pilots according to different criteria each time. This is a gigantic work by the members of the "Inscription Committee" (Dr. Gros, Lewis Crenshaw, Austin Crehore and Paul Rockwell), supported at times by Georgia Ovington, and sometimes even with the help of William N. Cromwell.

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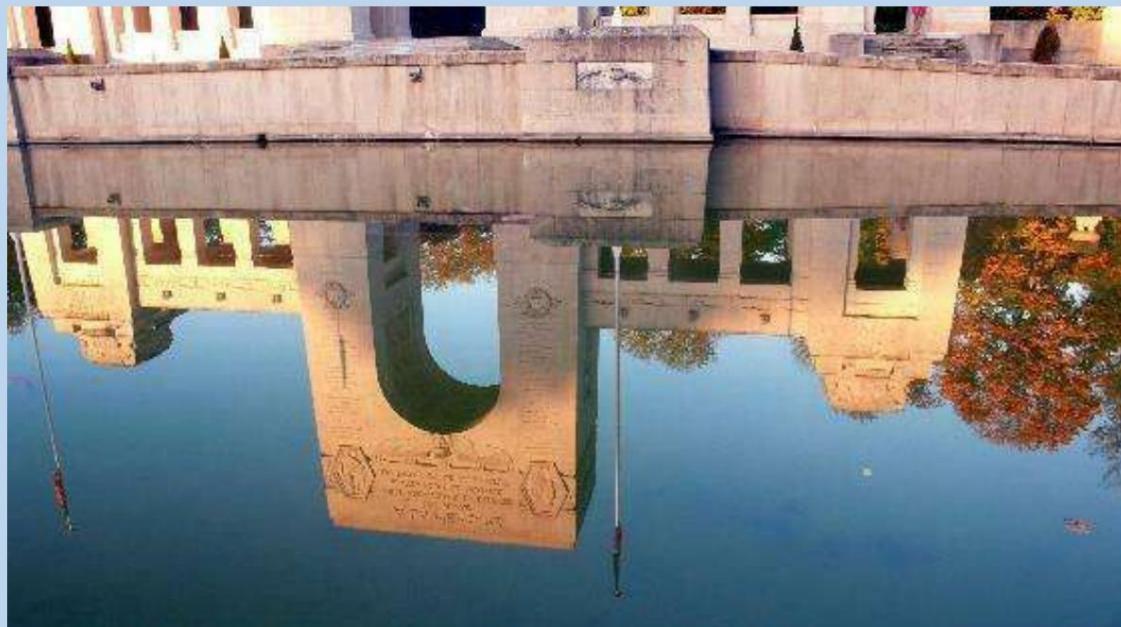
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This is a computer work followed by paleographic research between the different scripts of the two countries through very different personalities. Some differences in presentation exist between this work and the original list in order to fit into a computer framework.

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We have even left a few rare errors in places and names or titles, uncorrected to preserve the authenticity of the text.



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#### **-Notes**

We thought it would be interesting to present to you this extract from the magazine "France Amérique" which contains, in addition to the text of Mr. William Nelson Cromwell's message, a report on the pilots' stay.

**-Extract from Volume 1928 of the magazine "France Amérique" (Pages 272-275) (National Library of France / Gallica)**

La Vie politique et internationale.

## *Le Mémorial de l'« Escadrille Lafayette » à Saint-Cloud.*

A l'occasion de « l'Independence Day », le mémorial de l'« Escadrille Lafayette » a été inauguré dans le parc de Villeneuve-l'Étang, le 4 juillet 1928.

On se souvient que, dès le mois d'août 1914, un groupe d'aviateurs américains s'engagea volontairement dans l'armée française; à partir d'avril 1916, ces héroïques amis de la France, se constituerent en formation autonome &, sous le nom d'« Escadrille Lafayette », ils combattirent jusqu'à la fin de la guerre pour la France & avec les Français. Soixante-sept d'entre eux sont tombés glorieusement sur les champs de bataille & c'est à leur mémoire & à la gloire de ceux qui ont eu la chance de survivre à leurs raids audacieux qu'a été érigé le monument qui doit perpétuer le souvenir de leur héroïsme & qui consacre les liens de l'amitié la plus noble & la plus désintéressée entre les États-Unis & la France.

Le monument, œuvre de M. Alexandre Marcel, membre de l'Institut, est constitué par une crypte en rotonde, où ont été déposés, dans des sarcophages de marbre bleu, les corps des 67 aviateurs exhumés des champs de bataille de Belgique, de France & d'Italie. La crypte est surmontée d'un arc de triomphe sur les piliers duquel sont inscrits les noms de tous les aviateurs de la glorieuse escadrille, avec la mention des lieux où ils ont combattu.

L'organisation du Mémorial Lafayette est due à un comité d'Américains éminents composé de : S. Exc. l'ambassadeur Myron T. Herrick, président; M. William Nelson Cromwell & le Dr. Edmund Gros, vice-présidents; M. J. C. Bullwinkle, trésorier; M. Paul A. Rockwell, secrétaire général; M. Lewis D. Crenshaw, administrateur délégué; MM. Frederick Allen, Prof. J. Mark Baldwin, Henry E. Bedford Jr, H. H. Boyesen, Benjamin H. Conner, Major Walter V. Cotcheit, colonel Francis E. Drake, John J. Hoff, H. C. Huffer Jr, A. K. Macomber, colonel T. Bentley Mott, E. Virgil Neal, Lawrence Slade, M. K. McGrath & Max Shoop, Clifford B. Harmon.

Une délégation des membres de l'« Escadrille Lafayette » est arrivée à Paris pour la cérémonie du 4 juillet, accompagnée des familles de ceux qui sont tombés au champ d'honneur & qui venaient au monument de Saint-Cloud comme à un pieux pèlerinage.

Dès leur arrivée à Paris, le 29 juin, ils ont été reçus à l'Aéro-Club, qui se devait de fêter le premier les héroïques aviateurs & les familles de ceux qui sont tombés glorieusement pour la France. Le comte de la Vaulx, vice-président de l'Aéro-Club, M. Bokanowski, Ministre de l'Aéronautique & M. Soieau, prononcèrent des discours, auxquels le pilote américain Soubiran répondit par les paroles suivantes :

*Au nom de l'« Escadrille La Fayette », des morts & des vivants, nous vous remercions tous, Messieurs, de votre bon accueil. Nous sommes heureux & fiers d'avoir combattu pour la France & si elle a besoin encore de nous, s'il faut revenir, nous serons là.*

Le dimanche 1<sup>er</sup> juillet, la délégation de l'Escadrille Lafayette s'est rendue en pèlerinage au Tombeau de Lafayette au cimetière de Picpus, puis au Château de Vincennes, où fut inaugurée, dans le Musée qui groupe tous les souvenirs de la guerre, une section « Escadrille Lafayette ». Dans la matinée, un service commémoratif spécial avait eu lieu à la cathédrale américaine de la Sainte-Trinité à Paris, où le Très Rév. Frederick W. Beekman, D. D.

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prononça un sermon dans lequel il a cité, notamment, les vers du poète Richard Le Galienne dont nous reproduisons ci-dessous la traduction.

O France ! aucun de tes innombrables amants  
Ne t'a aimée d'une flamme plus ardente  
Que ces jeunes hommes venus sur les ailes du matin  
De leurs loyaux lointains par delà l'Atlantique.

Sans attendre que les anciens de l'Etat  
Aient pesé les moyens politiques de t'aider,  
Ils portèrent à leurs longs conciles un riant défi.  
La France est en danger ! Ses amants sauront-ils attendre ?  
Ils offrirent leur jeunesse d'or. Ils reposent ici  
Blotis dans les bras de la France pour qui ils sont morts.

Le lendemain 2 juillet, une réception a été organisée par le Ministère de la Guerre, qui comportait un programme artistique & musical très brillant.

La Ville de Paris tint, elle aussi, à exprimer ses sentiments de bienvenue à ses glorieux visiteurs & les reçut le 2 juillet, à l'Hôtel de Ville où M. Georges Lemarchand, président du Conseil municipal, leur exprima le souvenir & la reconnaissance de la population. Le même jour, la « Flamme du Souvenir » fut ranimée par eux au Tombeau du Soldat Inconnu, auprès duquel ils prirent également place pour assister au défilé du 14 juillet.

La cérémonie de l'inauguration, au parc de Saint-Cloud, le 4 juillet, était présidée par l'ambassadeur Myron T. Herrick, en présence de M. Painlevé, ministre de la Guerre. Le Dr. Ed. Gros, qui préside le comité fondateur du Mémorial de l'Escadrille Lafayette, expliqua l'esprit dans lequel le monument avait été conçu, nous extrayons de son discours les passages suivants :

*Lorsque la grande armée de Pershing s'est déployée sur le ligne de bataille & s'est dressée contre l'ennemi commun, il y avait déjà en France plus de deux cents volontaires américains qui volaient dans l'escadrille américaine & autres escadrilles françaises. Un certain nombre d'entre eux déjà tombé au Champ d'Honor, parmi eux Norman Prince, le fondateur de l'escadrille Lafayette. Beaucoup d'entre eux s'étaient enlevé de gloire, & avaient gagné de nombreux vols. Les noms de Lufbery, de Chapman, de Thom, de Rockwell, de Baylies, de Grant, de McConnell, étaient déjà célèbres.*

*Mais ces volontaires s'abstinent d'abord, & à la fin de la guerre, les pilotes de l'Escadrille avaient perdu un tiers de leur nombre : 67 morts étaient couché sur divers points du sol de France & de Belgique, enterrés dans des cimetières militaires ou occupant des tombes isolées, & 200 avaient disparu pour toujours, leurs corps n'ayant jamais été retrouvés.*

*La pensée que ces morts pluriels qui pendant la vie étaient animés par le même esprit de haut idéalisme, & unis entre eux par tout de liens communs de camaraderie, seraient pour toujours séparés dans la tombe, était intolérable, & lorsque le lieutenant Edgerton Hamilton suggéra que leurs corps soient groupés dans un lieu déigne de leur renommée & du grand rôle qu'ils avaient pendant la guerre, il ne rencontra pas de difficulté pour trouver des Américains patriotes prêts à entreprendre cette tâche. L'Association du Mémorial de l'Escadrille Lafayette fut fondée sous la présidence de notre cher ambassadeur, Myron T. Herrick.*

*Après cinq années d'efforts continuels, le travail du Comité du Mémorial fut presque terminé, & aujourd'hui vous voyez se dresser contre le ciel, un magnifique monument servant de tombeau à nos morts, & symbolisant d'une façon durable, les sentiments d'affection qui unifient nos deux grands pays : sentiments qui ont traversé les plus pure & brûlante expression dans le cœur de ces jeunes gens qui, pendant ces premières heures tragiques de la guerre, sont venus si spontanément offrir leur vie à la France...*

*Ils sont maintenant couchés dans cette crypte dans l'ordre de leur mort, quatre par quatre, comme en rang serré de combat, ayant à leur tête ceux qui sont tombé au Champ d'Honor : VICTOR CHAPMAN, DENNIS DOWD, KIFFIN ROCKWELL, NORMAN PRINCE, JAMES McCONNELL, EDMUND GENET, RONALD HOSKINS, & leurs soixante camarades.*

*Pour toujours, l'esprit de leur sacrifice servira d'inspiration à ceux qui viendront ici en pèlerinage. D'Inspiration & d'Avertissement aussi. Un avertissement aux forces mauvaises de meurtrir, de l'opulence & de l'agressivité, qui traverseront toujours droit devant eux pour les combattre, l'esprit invincible de la vérité, du droit & de la justice. Avec la pierre, M. Marot a donné à ce monument une forme harmonieuse & belle. En plaquant ici nos glorieux morts, nous lui avons donné une âme.*

M. Painlevé répondit à ces paroles en exprimant les sentiments de la France pour les héros qui si généreusement combattirent pour elle & dont le souvenir trouvera dans le cœur de ses enfants un asile aussi sûr & aussi durable que le monument élevé à leur mémoire. L'ambassadeur M. T. Herrick rappela la formation de l'escadrille aux heures émouvantes de 1914 :

*Aux premiers jours d'août 1914, lorsque ce pays apprit, le cœur serré, la nouvelle tragique & inattendue que l'Allemagne avait déclaré la guerre & que pour les fils de la France l'appel aux armes avait sonné, il vint à la Chancellerie un groupe de jeunes Américains dont qu'ils déraient des renseignements, & je le puis maintenant, espérant avoir mon aveu personnel. Ils voulaient combattre pour la France mais n'étaient pas sûrs d'en avoir le droit. Pouvez-vous les aider à résoudre la question ?*

Je pris la loi sur les devoirs des neutres, je leur en donnai lecture & leur en expliquai avec soin les paragraphes. Je ne pensais pas aller au-delà. Je me trouvais dans une position très difficile, étant donné mes sentiments. Mais j'assis à cet instant, observant ces jeunes visages ardents je fus sous d'une émotion assez violente que la leur. & suivant le conseil de l'arbitre, je dis, posant mon paix sur le bureau : « Voilà la loi, jeunes gens; mais si j'avais votre franchise je suis sûrement bien et que je ferai. A ce matin nous sortis de leurs positions, & avec la rapidité de la flèche ils descendirent l'escalier.

Ceux-là furent les premiers volontaires américains dans l'armée française. D'autres les suivirent, & en peu de temps un groupe important des leurs s'était engagé dans la légion étrangère. Mais un certain nombre d'entre eux avaient dès le début désiré se joindre au service aéronautique français. Ils demandèrent leur transfert à l'assistance, & ainsi presque immédiatement des jeunes gens américains commencèrent à voler pour la France.

Telle était la situation lorsque Norman Peale — l'un des premiers volontaires, & qui, bien, fut tel si vite dans la bataille — eut l'idée de former une escadrille américaine qui serait composée entièrement de pilotes américains. Le consentement du Gouvernement français fut obtenu & le plan exécuté. Un comité fut formé pour agir comme intermédiaire entre les aviateurs & le Gouvernement; il recueillait des fonds pour l'escadrille, renflait des fonds pour leurs dépenses & s'occupait de leurs intérêts & de leur bien-être; cette organisation enchaîna avec gloire sous le nom d'« Escadrille Lafayette ».

Leur influence sur le sentiment public dans notre pays fut formidable. Tandis qu'ils témoignaient sur des débuts de nos & que l'envoient de vaillantes protestations, des Américains versaient leur sang pour une cause à laquelle le cœur de l'Amérique s'était déjà donné & pour laquelle elle engagée par la suite la vie de quatre millions de ses fils...

En attribuant à la « Memorial Association » de l'Escadrille Lafayette ce bras pas pour ériger son monument, le Gouvernement français a témoigné une fois encore de son intérêt incalculable pour tout ce qui tend à perpétuer le souvenir des services que les Américains ont rendus pendant la guerre, & je déclame, au nom de mes compatriotes, en exprimer notre profonde appréciation.

Le commandant Georges Thénault, attaché militaire à Washington, exposa les hauts faits de la glorieuse phalange qu'il commanda pendant toute la durée de la guerre. Le Révérend W. T. Manning, évêque de New York, bénit ensuite le monument devant lequel défilèrent les personnalités officielles.

Au lendemain de cette cérémonie, la délégation de l'escadrille & les familles des aviateurs tués à l'ennemi furent reçues par le Président de la République; elles se rendirent aussitôt après à la « Maison des Nations Américaines » du comité France-Amérique, où une grande réception avait été organisée en leur honneur. S. Exc. l'ambassadeur Myron T. Herrick présenta le commandant Thénault & ses anciens camarades : MM. Edmond L. Gros, Cassady, Clarence B. Shoninger, Soubiran, Kenneth Rothamel, X. B. Grehore, Herman Whitmore, Ed. Parsons, Gaspar C. Brown, Clarence M. Glover, Thomas B. Buffum, lieutenant Guérard Hamilton, Granville A. Pollock & Hugo Kenyon au Président du comité France-Amérique, M. Gabriel Hanotaux; Madame la duchesse de la Force, secondeée par la comtesse Robert de Caix de Saint-Aymour & la comtesse Madeleine de Bryas, reçut les nombreuses personnalités américaines & françaises qui avaient tenu à venir en grand nombre témoigner aux représentants des glorieux aviateurs & à leurs familles leur sympathie & leur admiration.

Tous nos amis connaissent le rôle si important que M. William N. Cromwell a joué dans l'organisation du Mémorial de l'« Escadrille La Fayette » & dans l'institution d'une fondation perpétuelle. Aussi le comité France-Amérique a-t-il tenu à lui adresser son souvenir à l'occasion de cette grandiose & touchante manifestation, en réponse, M. Cromwell a répondu de New York par le câble suivant :

Merci mille fois pour votre aimable lettre du 19 juin & pour la copie de la cordiale & officielle de France-Amérique au sujet de l'inauguration du Mémorial de l'Escadrille La Fayette. Je sais sûr que vous coopterez avec moi bureau & avec les dirigeants de l'Escadrille après cette inauguration du 4 juillet. J'envoie un long câble pour vous & pour d'autres, car il n'est naturellement impossible de renvoyer en France si tôt après avoir quitté Paris, ce que je déplie au-delà de toute expression. Si puis très absorbé par notre élection présidentielle & par des affaires professionnelles & ne pourrai donc rentrer à Paris qu'après l'élection de novembre; à ce moment-là je serai plus libre que lors de mon dernier voyage & pourrai vous aider au sujet de France-Amérique. Je vous assure, avec qu'à M. le Président Hanotaux & à ses autres collaborateurs, l'expression de mes sentiments affectueux & de mes remerciements.

D'autre part, M. Cromwell a adressé de New York, le 4 juillet, pour l'inauguration du monument du Mémorial de l'« Escadrille Lafayette » dans le parc de Saint-Cloud, un message dont nos lecteurs seront heureux de prendre connaissance :

En ce jour solennel où nous confions à jamais à la terre de notre France vaillante & bien-aimée, les corps de ceux qui moururent, ont fait le sacrifice de leur vie pour la cause de la civilisation, en témoigne du dévouement & de la fidélité de l'Amérique pour la France, je souhaite une émouvante chaîne des tombes des croyances sacrées de ce monument & je serai la main de ceux qui, également braves, ont heureusement dépassé au sacrifice supérieur qu'ils offraient tous avec la même bravoure & la même intégrité. Alors que les Etats-Unis n'étaient pas encore libres, en vue de leurs relations internationales, de participer à la Guerre

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Mondiale, tous ceux qui sont réunis ici, morts ou survivants, réclamaient, sollicitaient, incitaient sur le seuil de la France, le privilège de lui venir en aide, à elle & au monde entier; c'est alors que la France résolut le problème en les admettant dans son armée, sous le commandement de ses propres officiers, dont la plupart ont trouvé la mort dans la lutte commune & dont les noms sont gravés sur ce monument en tribut perpétuel payé par l'Amérique à la France, à ses frères d'armes pendant la guerre, les deux pensant la paix.

Il n'y a dans l'histoire aucun autre exemple d'une telle noblesse dans la coopération, dans le sens où porté à une nation entière & dans l'amitié, tant celui du merveilleux jeune homme de 19 ans, incarnant l'esprit de la France, lorsque, au défi de toutes les règles de la diplomatie, sauf seulement de quelques disciples, il traversa les mers, alors presque inconnues, se présentant à notre grand Washington & mis à ses pieds son épée & sa fortune — l'immortel Lafayette, — renouvelant ainsi l'enthousiasme d'une armée de quelques milliers d'hommes qui se battait pour la liberté contre la plus formidable puissance du monde.

Ainsi naquirent les États-Unis, & personne d'autre nous n'est digne de se dire citoyen de notre pays, si, dans la plénitude de son cœur & de l'émotion, il ne paye un tribut glorieux aux journées de '76 & de '78, inspiré par l'amour enthousiaste de la liberté & par la présence, les conseils & l'amitié de ces immortels fils de la France & par l'amer de l'Amérique.

J'ai en résumé l'honneur & le privilège de représenter à Paris notre bien-aimé & honnête ambassadeur, M. Hebrick, ainsi que l'Association France-Amérique, l'Association Américaine de la Légion d'Honneur & la Fédération de l'Alliance Française, à la magnifique fête du 15<sup>e</sup> Anniversaire du Premier Traité d'Alliance & d'Amitié entre la France & l'Amérique, alliance qui a continué sans interruption depuis. Il n'existe aucun autre exemple d'amitié, de fidélité & d'affection entre nations qui, dans toute l'histoire, puisse se comparer à celui-là, & cette alliance ne cesserà jamais. Dès que les affaires internationales nous l'ont permis, nous avions rapidement mis en branle nos millions d'hommes & nos fortunes & avons agi sur la scène mondiale. A mon avis, la plus grande victoire n'est pas celle des armes & des flots. Alors que nos cœurs sont remplis de douleur pour les millions, qui sont errants, ont abandonné leur vie, leurs membres en leurs jambes, c'est la grandeur de leur sacrifice qui constitue le brûlant tout-puissant de la fraternité, de l'humanité & de l'amitié qui ont créé un monde nouveau et la paix universelle & qui ont, pour ainsi dire, fusionné des races humaines. C'est dans ce but que les héros qui reposent ici leurs camarades, & les millions venus d'Amérique ont donné & cherché volontiers à donner tout ce que l'humanité tient pour plus cher.

Ce monument commémoratif a une autre signification, plus profonde encore, une signification qui découlle de l'esprit de ceux qui sont morts & de ceux qui ont survécu. C'est la signification & l'esprit de la fraternité éternelle de l'Amérique & de la France. Ce n'est pas seulement une confraternité monumentale. Dans la Fondation j'ai eu comme devoir d'en faire un lieu de réunion annuelle pour nos peuples unis & par l'échange de paroles prononcées publiquement & de déclamées appropriées, de garder à jamais vivant le sentiment qui l'a créé & qui formera un trait d'union perpétuel entre nos nations, gravé en intensité & en respectabilité avec le cours des années. Nous favoriserons ce but également par la littérature, des conférences, l'échange de pensée & de relations & par la création d'une amitié vraie, née de sacrifices consentis pour une grande cause — l'amitié qui lie les hommes qui, dès à cette, ont tout affronté & tout enduré — hommes de nationalités différentes, incapables souvent de se parler mais unis par le même but glorieux, s'unissant dans un esprit de camaraderie & de fraternité, sans égard de race, de religion ou de nationalité.

Aux parents, aux enfants & aux familles jusqu'à la dernière génération, à M. le Président Doumergue & à son Cabinet, à M. Poincaré, ainsi qu'à vous-même, notre Ambassadeur, & vous directeurs, collaborateurs & membres associés du «Mémorial de l'Escadrille Lafayette», qui avez si fidèlement & si fidacement participé à l'accomplissement de cette grande tâche, avec affection, intérêt & gîte, pendant ces dernières années, je vous prie d'exprimer mon admiration ainsi que la reconnaissance de l'Amérique à travers le monde entier.

J'ai le privilège, personnellement, de faire exhumier les restes morts de ces héros, tombés au combat d'honneur, & qui se trouvaient encore en France, en Belgique & en Italie, & de les faire transporter & inhumer à nouveau, avec le plus grand respect, dans cette crypte qui est sanctifiée par leurs actions héroïques & retraite un lieu de pèlerinage pour leurs familles & leur postérité.

Les paroles sont justes lorsqu'elles concernent ce noble monument commémoratif & le cimetière, paré de Saint-Cloud. L'œuvre parle pour elle-même avec une gloire & une signification qui ne sont égales par aucun autre monument sur terre. Il n'y a pas au monde une œuvre qui puisse rivaliser en beauté avec celle-ci & seul le Ciel peut en résulter à l'humanité la partie & la signification vraies. Notre reconnaissance est partagée, au plus haut point, par la France, ses ministères & ses citoyens patriotes & je ne doute pas que vous se lerez exprimer en sentant avec votre sincérité & votre franchise habituels. Si je n'étais obligé, par notre République présidentielle & par d'autres affaires urgentes, de rester en Amérique, je serais à vos côtés aujourd'hui & je déplorerais de ne pas pouvoir être présent de mes propres personnes lors de ces journées qui marquent la glorieuse conclusion d'efforts faits pendant des années par mes collègues & par moi. Mais je me satisfais avec gratitude de votre aimable assurance que vous seriez heureux de participer à cette cérémonie & de la présider.

Je dédie ce Quatre Juillet — ce jour entre les jours — uniquement & exclusivement aux héros qui sont descendus sur terre seulement après qu'ils eurent dirigé leurs armes vers le ciel & courageusement fait le sacrifice le plus sublime que l'homme puisse offrir pour la civilisation, la France, la Paix, la liberté & la sécurité.

En ma qualité de premier Vice-Président & receveur de ce magnifique monument commémoratif, & comme Fondateur à l'effet de perpétuer ce superbe hommage aux héros tombés dans la bataille des cieux, ainsi qu'à ceux qui, tout aussi glorieusement, ont eu le bonheur de survivre, j'adresse mes saluts fraternel & éternels.

WILLIAM NELSON CROMWELL.

Nous conseillons à tous nos amis de se rendre à Saint-Cloud & de traverser le parc de Saint-Cloud pour gagner la partie du haut-parc, dite parc de Villeneuve l'Étang. Ils y verront une magnifique idée, symbolisée grandiosement dans la pierre & réalisée par des Américains idéalistes. Le monument funèbre restera comme un témoignage éternel de l'amitié franco-américaine. C'est un nouveau trait d'union : encore une fois, France-Amérique.

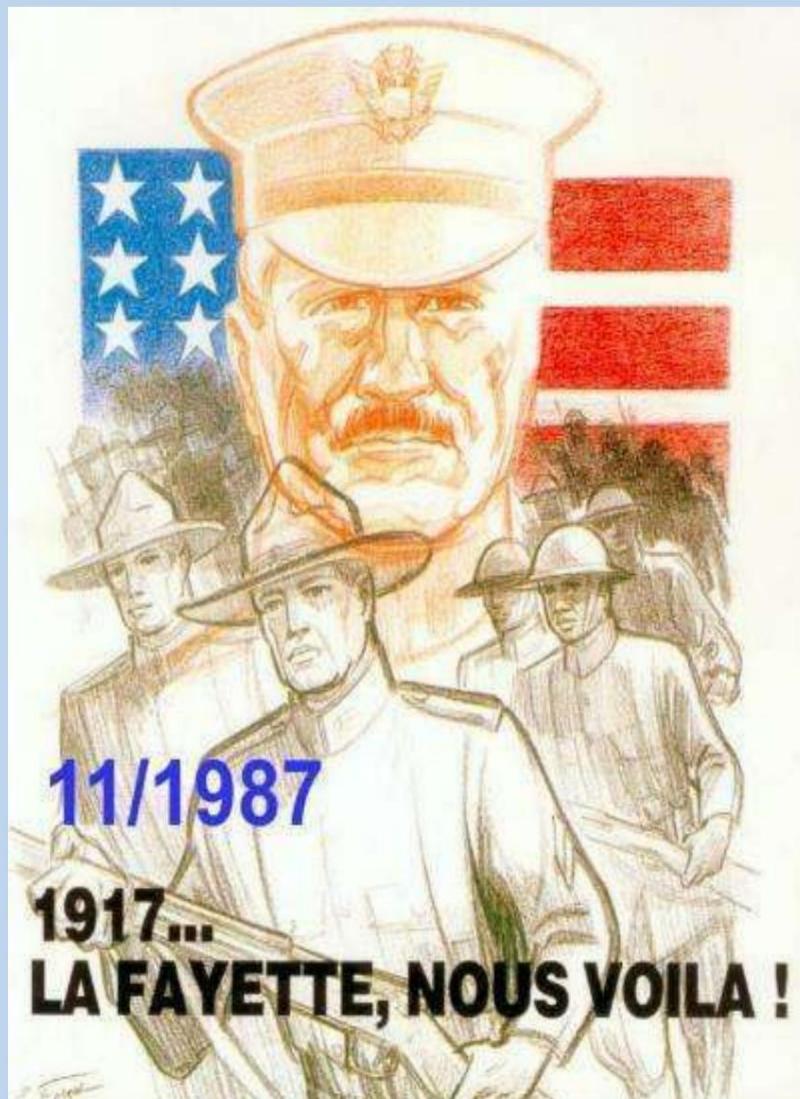
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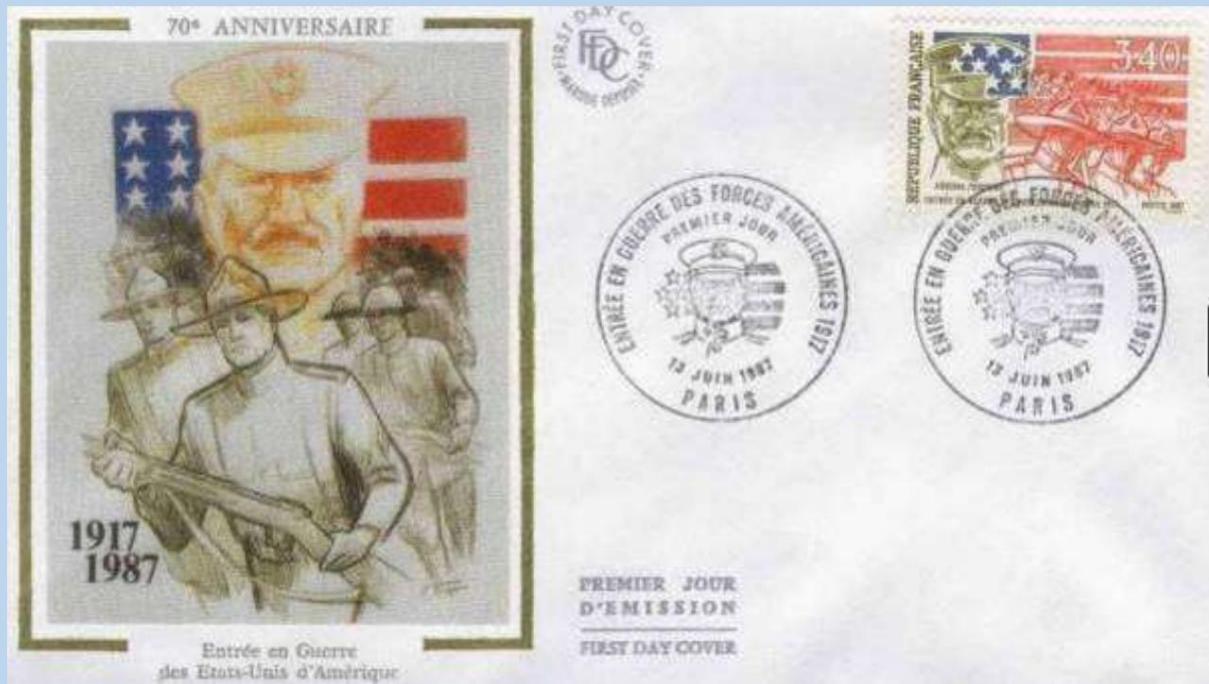
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Commemorative Postage Stamp with First Day Cover

## -Related exhibition at the Mona Bismarck Foundation

In 1987, an honorary committee and an executive commission were created to celebrate the 70th anniversary of the United States of America's entry into the war on the side of France in 1917. Our Memorial was designated as the highlight of this event. There was also a ceremony at the Arc de Triomphe in Paris on June 13. Other ceremonies and events took place across the country on this occasion.

With the help of the Secretary of State for Veterans Affairs, the "Mona Bismarck" Foundation, located at 34, avenue de New-York in Paris and named after an American woman born in 1897 in Kentucky, organized its first exhibition that same year to commemorate the seventieth anniversary of the entry of American troops into the war.

Among other things, one could see a mannequin wearing the uniform of a non-commissioned officer of the Lafayette Escadrille. The text on the cover of the exhibition album recalled that the year also corresponded with the death of the great Guynemer. The latter joined the American pilots several times during his assignment to the Cigognes Escadrille; he flew side by side with the Lafayette and even advised them at random stops and rest stops behind the front lines.

At that time, Mr. Russell M. Porter, President of the Mona Bismarck Foundation (MBF) and the Lafayette Escadrille Memorial Foundation (LEM), greatly assisted in the implementation of the national ceremony and the exhibition.

It was a remarkable exhibition where 166 pieces relating to this conflict were admired (display cases, mannequins, posters, archive films, etc.)

Mr. Serge Barcellini, then Head of the Permanent Mission for Commemoration, was the driving force behind the (LEM) ceremony and the exhibition at (MBF). He is currently the President of the Souvenir Français, an organization that, in the past, helped our Memorial so much.

**MBF Expo pilots (on the left, holding the N/O pilot of the La Fayette Escadrille)**



**-Members of the Committee & Guests at the Ceremony of June 14, 1987**

Members of the 70th Anniversary Committee :

Placed under the High Patronage of François Mitterrand, President of the Republic:

-Jacques Chirac, Prime Minister -Members  
of the Government -President of the

Senate and the National Assembly and other Qualified Persons etc.

-High dignitaries -The

Secretary of State for Veterans and War Victims, Georges Fontes -An Honorary Committee composed  
of the Highest Authorities -The Patriotic Remembrance Associations

-The Franco-American Friendship Associations

-The Representatives of the Local Authorities concerned

Guests and/or Participants at the Memorial

-André Giraud, Minister of Defense -Georges

Fontès, Secretary of State for Veterans Affairs

-Jacques Boyon, Secretary of State for Defense -Jean-

Pierre Fourcade, Mayor of Saint-Cloud and Senator for Hauts-de-Seine -Boucher François,

Mayor of Marnes-la-Coquette -Jacques Barrel, Prefect of

Hauts-de-Seine -Jacques Gautier, Mayor of Garches

-Serge Barcellini, Head of the Permanent

Mission for Commemorations -Mr. Russell M. Porter, President of the Lafayette  
Escadrille Memorial Foundation

-Edward C. Aldridge Jr., United States Secretary of the Air Force -Joe M.

Rodgers, United States Ambassador to France -Bob Anderson, Air  
Attaché at the United States Embassy -Four Veterans Delegations from

both countries

-The Flag Bearers of the Two Countries

**Public Placed beyond the Basin**



**Deperdussin (1913) from the Collection of the Musée Volant Salis in Cerny**



**Authorities During the Performance of National Anthems****-Procedure of the Ceremony Protocol**

-Presentation of the ceremony by Mr. Russell M. Porter, President of the Foundation -Music of the Air

-French and American troops in period dress -Placement of American veterans -Air Force detachment

-An Authentic Spad VII placed at the edge of the basin -Hymns

-Arrival of

the United States Flag and its Guard at the Center of the Monument -Review of the Military Detachments by the Authorities -Presentation of the Ceremony -Prayers

-Speech by the Mayor -Speech by

the

"United States Secretary

of the Air Force"

-Speech by the Minister of Defense -Laying

of Wreaths

-Appointment to the Grade of Knight of the Legion of Honor of four "Veterans" by Minister Mr. Giraud -About ten "Veterans" appointed

Knight of the National Order of Merit by the Secretary of Defense Mr. Fontes

**Blessings Given in Turn by the Representatives of the Three Religions****Other Information**

-The Mack AC truck, carrying a load of nearly six tons with a 7.71 cylinder engine and loaned to the Berliet Foundation. Sixteen were donated by Mrs.

WK Vanderbilt - A

Dodge ambulance, equipped to transport 3 wounded lying down or 4 seated - Static in front of the pool a 1913 Deperdussin from the Salis Association\*

-On the right, 20 American soldiers dressed as "Sammies" (representing Uncle Sam) and preparing to take up position -We can also

see, to the left of the Monument, 20 French soldiers in horizon blue uniform, the traditional outfit of the poilus, with, in the foreground, the Dodge ambulance

-On the right, 20 American soldiers dressed as "Sammies" (representing Uncle Sam)

-Military detachment and music of the Air Force

-Report from F3 (Ile de France) broadcast the same day on the FR3 news (Duration 12 minutes)

-Flyover of the Monument by three Great War aircraft belonging to the Amicale Salis\*, this association still maintains a sort of flying museum - Flag bearers of patriotic associations placed on the terraces on each side of the Monument

\*Don't miss the website of this remarkable association <http://www.ajbs.fr/>

**The Sammies in Position in Front of the Monument**



**1600 "Mack" Bulldog Trucks**



**Public Placed beyond the Basin**



**American Veterans**



The "Dodge" Ambulance



The Poilus in Traditional Azure Blue Outfit



### **-Start of the Ceremony**

The ceremony began (as it should, upon the arrival of the guests) with the playing of the national anthems by the Air Force band located behind the Monument.

Mr. Russell M. Porter, presiding over the ceremony, asked for the blessing of the ministers of each of the three religions represented in the crypt: Protestant, Catholic & Jewish.

"After the military honors, two actors from the "Comédiens de la Résistance" MM. Jacques Dacquemine and Alain Bouvette performed a historical presentation, the main excerpts of which are as follows:

"The severance of diplomatic relations with Germany on February 3, 1917, and the subsequent declaration of war on April 6, 1917, marked the end of three years of neutrality during which American volunteer commitments alongside French troops demonstrated a spirit of solidarity. In addition to the creation of the La Fayette unit, the development of charitable works and health organizations were significant. The 200 ambulance drivers of the "American Field Service" became, in April 1917, the first American combatants on French soil."

"General Pershing and his staff joined them on June 13, while the 1st Expeditionary Force arrived on June 26. The organization included setting up communications for their main ports of disembarkation (Brest, Saint Nazaire, Bordeaux) after laying the railways and installing all the logistics: stores, construction sites, hospitals, depots, repair shops, etc."

"In November 1918, more than 600,000 Americans worked in these bases to ensure the support and installation of the million and a half combatants at the front, coming from New York, California or Louisiana. More than 75,000 of them fell on French soil in combat, not counting the wounded and sick as a result of the war."

Mr. François Boucher, Mayor of Marnes-la-Coquette, recalled that since his election (1983), every year he has taught schoolchildren the history of the place by showing them around the crypt. This is especially true on November 11th when the children of the Marnes-la-Coquette schools place a red rose on the grave of each pilot in the crypt.

He also cited the abandonment of American neutrality as one of the major turning points in the conflict.

Edward C. Aldridge Jr., United States Secretary of the Air Force, spoke of the heroic greatness of the fighting of these American volunteers who (voluntarily) joined the French army before his country entered the war. He continued his speech by

highlighting the close collaboration between the United States and France during the First World War Worldwide.

### **-Excerpts from the speech of the Minister of Defense**

"I salute the presence, today, of all the French personalities, our thoughts are relate to June 14, 1917, 70 years ago. General Pershing wrote in his memoirs:

The day our thoughts turn to June 14, 1917, now 70 years ago.

(General Pershing writes in his memoirs,) Early on the morning of June 13, we left for France, and after taking leave of our hosts or their representatives, we boarded a special train for Folkestone. We embarked on the small steamer that serves Boulogne. With it, the expeditionary force arrived; before July 2, a first convoy of 19 ships had disembarked 14,750 men, 103 nurses and 46,700 tons of equipment. Others were to follow, 126,000 combatants lost their lives on French soil, 235,000 were wounded.

"I want to tell you that the veterans here present, who have made the pilgrimage to the places of their sacrifice and their glory, feel that France remembers. They feel the warmth of our gratitude expressed around them, because it is with real emotion that the members of the French government today decorate those who, 70 years ago, risked their lives to defend our freedom."

"This ceremony is being held in front of the Lafayette Squadron Monument. How could there be a more striking symbol of Franco-American friendship? By August 5, 1914, individual testimonies had multiplied. Addressing the American colony in Paris, an American citizen delivered a vibrant tribute:

"Citizens of the United States, while the most terrible tragedy that the annals of history have yet recorded is taking place on the Franco-German border, the friends of France, who consider this country as a second homeland, wish to affirm their ardent desire to fight and shed their blood for its threatened integrity."

"Among the American legionnaires, some enlisted in the air force and wanted to become members of a French aviation unit. Thus, on April 18, 1916, in Luxeuil, the "American Escadrille" was born under the command of Captain Thenault. She immediately engaged in the Battle of Verdun. The Squadron chose the Indian head as its official insignia, and was to distinguish itself throughout the war and, after the United States entered the war, gave birth to the first American fighter squadron, the N103. There were a total of 255 American pilots spread across some thirty squadrons of the French army, 180 of whom served at the front. They had won 199 victories. The coffins of 68 of them rest in this sanctuary.

"How can we not quote, thinking of them, the beautiful poem by the American soldier Alain Seeger, written shortly before his death, and which takes on a prophetic resonance: "A rendezvous with death"

I have a date with Death, at some disputed barricade, When spring comes  
this year The first wildflowers will appear Then  
on this date, thanks to them the flowers of spring The  
flowers of peace and freedom have returned.

"These soldiers we salute today shared the same destiny as their French brothers in arms, alongside whom they fought in Meurthe-et-Moselle, the Somme, Champagne, Ile-de-France, and Argonne. The names of Belleau Wood, where the Marines distinguished themselves, and of Saint-Mihiel resonate in our memories."

"But this spilled blood, these intertwined flags... They have a meaning or a foundation, in any case a purpose. What unites us, from the conflict of the War of Independence to beyond the Cold War, through the two world wars, is freedom. There is a common foundation inspired by the same philosophy and which opens our two constitutions: the Declaration of the Rights of Man. No one disputes the value

messianic preambles of the American and French preambles. They are the beacon of democracies and the absolute guarantee of the defense of freedoms.

"History loves symbols. One hundred French officers volunteered for the American army in 1775. Almost the same number of Americans formed the Lafayette Escadrille in 1916. Belleau Wood was captured on June 5, 1917. The Normandy landings took place on June 6, 1944."

"Over time, the continuity of a friendship that has never been denied is affirmed. It may happen that our analyses of the international situation are not identical and that we are separated on the responses to give. This has never lasted very long in serious moments; we know the value of our alliance. Lafayette, Pershing, and Eisenhower have demonstrated this more recently."

...in conclusion

"Those who are here, those who lost their lives and their comrades, those of the Lafayette Escadrille and those of the expeditionary force, those of the Second World War. They send us a message, they remind us of the suffering of nations at war. We must, to be faithful to them, protect peace, peace is won by courage, let us stand, as they did to lead Peace and Freedom."

Long live Franco-American friendship.

### **-Veterans' Decorations and End of Ceremony**

The most important moment was the presentation of decorations. The American veterans maintained their salute with dignity during the hymns and also before the presentation of their decorations. For most of them, the solemnity of setting foot on French soil again for the first time since the First World War moved them to the core.

Twenty American veterans, including a 90-year-old ambulance driver (who had been 70 years earlier), were part of the Expeditionary Force, under the name of "Sammies."

All the heroes of this celebration were decorated. Four of them were made "Knights of the Legion of Honor" by the Minister of Defense. Then, G. Fontès, Secretary of Defense, decorated them with the "National Order of Merit." Everyone was moved; later, one of them confessed with a tearful eye, "This is the best day of my life!"

These women and men, already wearing numerous medals, proudly displayed on their chests, were delighted with their new decorations. We heard them all comment on this event at the reception, which closed this colorful and emotional ceremony of remembrance.

Then, everything ended with the flypast in which four Mirage IIIE (Dassault Aviation) and four F15 fighters (McDonnell Douglas) from the USAFE base in Bitburg (Germany) took part.

Finally, we saw a Breguet 14, considered the architect of victory during the First World War, and two SE 5s, the British biplane fighter.

Before the passage of the vintage aircraft, which succeeded the modern ones, a flock of wild geese in formation preceded the "official" flight by also passing over the Memorial. These volatile patrollers did not go unnoticed and even triggered a round of applause from the audience. We never knew the organizer of this impromptu flight during a ceremony!





Four 'Veterans' appointed to the rank of "Knight of the Legion of Honor" and  
Sixteen other Veterans receiving the medal of  
"The National Order of Merit"



### American Flag Honor Guard & Air Force Detachment





**Veterans Reception at the Vin d'Honneur after the Ceremony**



## Acknowledgments to the authors

This story has been widely borrowed, and even copied in many passages, from two different sources. We thank the true authors of this chapter for their gracious permission to reproduce their respective works.

1°) The letter from the Marius Berliet Automobile Foundation (No. 21-October 1987) Written by **Madame Monique Chapelle**, an excellent article reporting on this memorable day and the no less interesting exhibition of the “Mona Bismarck Foundation”.

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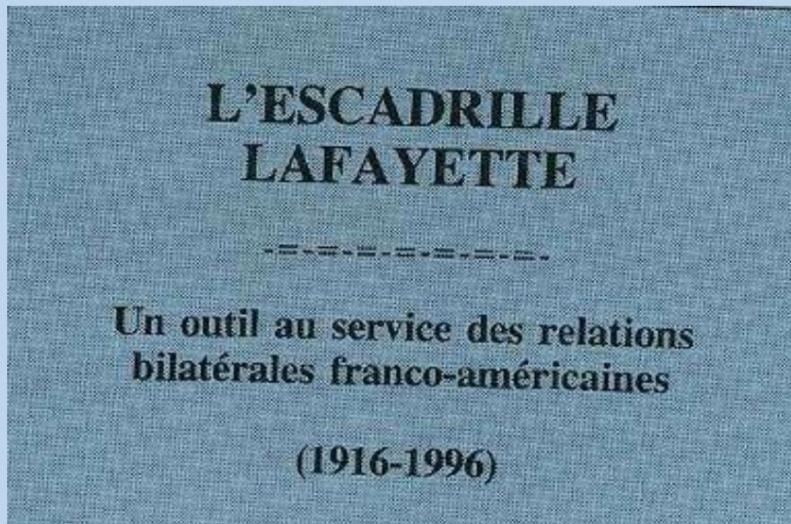
2) A tool for serving Franco-American bilateral relations (40 pages)

Work by Mr. **Serge Barcellini**, now General President of the Souvenir Français.

We often recall, in these pages, the continuous support provided by the Souvenir Français to the Monument before its transfer to the ABMC, especially in the form of several fundings intended for its first major restoration.

<https://www.marnes-la-coquette.fr/wp-content/uploads/2015/02/LEscadrille-Lafayette-un-outil-au-service-des-relations-bilatérales-franco-americaines.pdf>

3°) 12-minute rush from FR3 “Île de France” (Not available as part of this work)



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**Chapter 13 - The Major Renovations - Part 1**

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*Classification of Soils (1994)*

*-Appointment of the Architect (1997)*

*-Preliminary Study (1996-1999) -The Great Storm of 1999*

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***-State of the Monument at the End of the 20th Century***

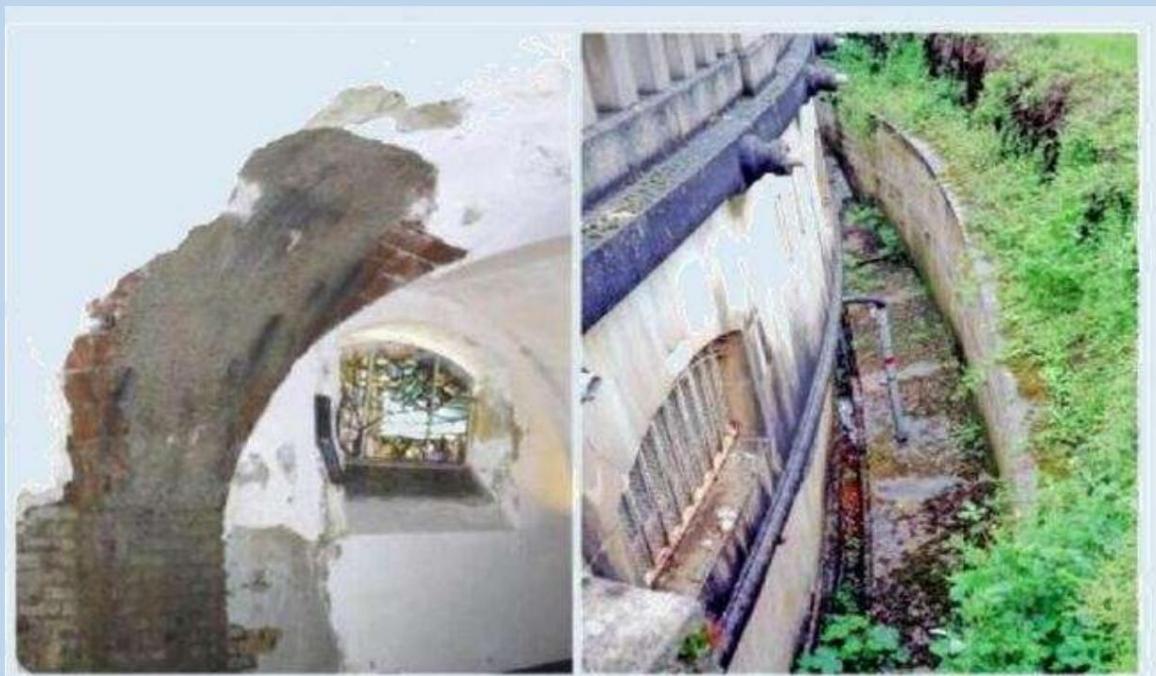
At first glance, it is the impression of darkness predominating on the facades, especially in rainy weather, that attracts the visitor's eye at this time. If he goes into the crypt, shock, even fear, outweighs any other consideration in the face of the ravages of humidity and water infiltration. The exteriors at the rear of the building are no better off. If one leans over the railing overlooking the English courtyard from the hemicycle, collecting rainwater, and by infiltration, that of the agricultural land bordering the Monument, a nauseating smell of mud repels you and an apocalyptic sight seizes you.

In short, the Monument is losing its soul and the danger of visits becomes a problem in the crypt, and the steps leading to the Monument, from the outside, are disjointed. The few remaining funds in the possession of the Foundation are used for incompressible expenses such as: insurance, maintaining a guard on site with the costs incumbent on the pavilion for security and surveillance, agricultural equipment maintaining the lawn and the surroundings. The gardener dependent on the General Council, generously allocated by Mr. Charles Pasqua, ensures the maintenance of the Park. To all this, are added the costs of ceremonies and the payment of taxes in force. It is also necessary to take into account the state of the terraces and the waterproofing of the roofs covering them, some pieces of which are held, so to speak, by a thread. The pipes passing under the Monument and flowing by natural slope were blocked and, in the event of a storm, poured into the crypt through holes supposed to absorb excess water.

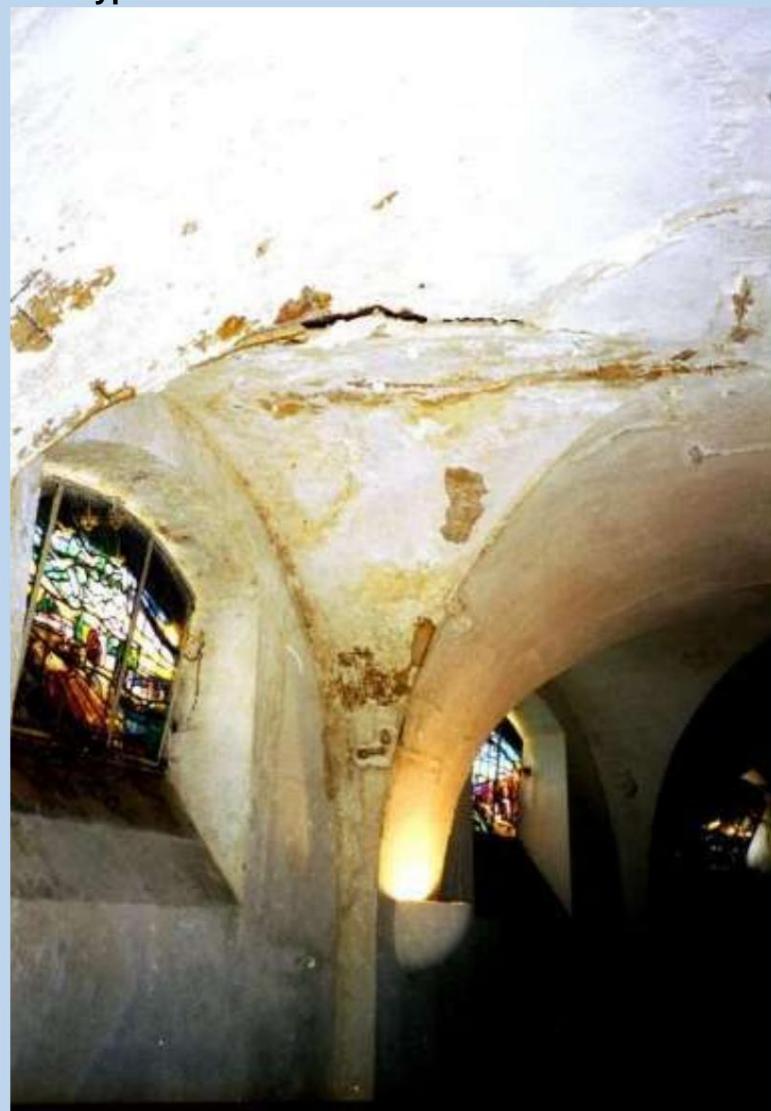
The President and members of the council were required to assume civil liability in the event of bodily injury to visitors.

This is the sad portrait that we can paint of the Memorial at the end of this century.

These next few photos only give a vague glimpse of the disaster.



**Damage to the crypt due to infiltration**



**Damage under the hemicycle**



**Top view of the Great Arch**



Here is the timeline of this first major restoration with funding from the French Government through the "Ministry of Culture" and from the American Government through the "United States Congress" via the supervision of the "US Air Force Europe".

## -Soil Classification (1994)

Since the Parc de Saint-Cloud was classified as a building and land site by the Ministry of Culture in 1994, the Foundation had given its prior consent to the relevant authorities to extend this measure to its grounds. Consequently, all future work had to receive approval from the Ministry of Culture, represented by the Regional Directorate of Historic Monuments (DRAC).

After inevitable administrative wrangling between the department, the region, and the state, the Ministry of Culture chose the architect already in charge of the Parc de Saint-Cloud as the architect in charge. This ministry committed to financing 50% of the waterproofing work according to the architectural and technical plan (PAT). The Foundation assigned it responsibility for the work on the building's structure, excluding insulation.

Thus, the architect wore two hats, first as a representative of the French State vis-à-vis the cultural services (DRAC) for waterproofing, then as architect of the Foundation which had become his private client, for the remaining (other) work not related to the waterproofing of the building.

View taken under the paving of the Plenum



## -Appointment of the Architect (1997)

The Ministry of Culture appointed in 1997:

Mr. Pierre-Antoine GATIER, as architect responsible for project management for the renovation of the Memorial.

### Training and Career of MP. Gatier, Chief Architect of Historic Monuments

Government-qualified architect, Paris – UP7 (1984); Former student of the École du Louvre, Paris (1981); Graduate in Museology from the École du Louvre, Paris (1983); Degree in Art History from Paris IV-Sorbonne (1984); Graduate of the École des Hautes Études de Chaillot, Paris (1987); Winner of the 'Richard Morris Hunt Fellowship', study trip to United States (1991).

- The restoration of the Villa La Roche-Jeanneret (Le Corbusier Foundation) (75) --
- The restoration of Villa E-1027 by Eileen Gray (06)
- The Sainte-Réparate Cathedral in Nice (06)
- The Painting Gallery of the Château de Chantilly (60) --
- Saint-Mammès Cathedral in Langres (52)
- The prefecture of Châlons, former hotel of the Intendants of Champagne (51) --
- The Basilica of Saint Anne in Brazzaville (Congo)

Mr. Pierre-Antoine GATIER



## **-Preliminary Study (1996-1999)**

The architect's first task was to initiate a "Preliminary Study for General Restoration." This study, considered exhaustive at the time, served as the starting point for the various renovations that followed. The Secretary General represented the Foundation to the Architect and his services to carry it out. It comprises 86 pages, including 16 sheets of historical annexes.

### Main Topics:

-An Introduction / -The General Presentation and the Historical Summary

-the General Health Status and the Works Program / -An Estimate  
Financial & Annexes

You will find the essential details for understanding its accounting financing over time in the following chapter.

## **-The great storm of 1999**

On December 26, 1999, forests in France, Switzerland, and Germany were ravaged, some even wiped out, causing unprecedented damage with winds in the mountainous regions blowing up to 259 km/h.

The Parc de Saint-Cloud was not spared, and even less so the surrounding area and the Parc du Monument. In theory, the plantations and wildlife are the direct responsibility of the Saint-Cloud Park Conservation Authority. In practice, it was necessary to participate in the evacuation of the trees surrounding the Monument and the caretaker's lodge. The gap in the north-south axis of the Monument was spectacular. Fortunately, the Monument suffered only minimal damage. During this period, the Park and the Memorial were closed for a month to heal the wounds of the storm. This would subsequently modify the landscaping restructuring projects envisaged as part of the renovation.



### **-Role, resignation and succession of Colonel Jean-Pierre Gillet**

Colonel JP Gillet (see Chapter 19) was appointed to lead the Monument's renovation after the submission of the Preliminary Study in February 1999. For this task, he was appointed Co-President of the Foundation alongside Mr. Russell M. Porter. His tireless work on this renovation earned him universal respect. A former Commander of the Lafayette Escadrille, he put a lot of energy into it, perhaps even a little too much, which created disagreements with the President and his entourage. A flood occurred in the crypt in June 2005; work was halted for six months due to a storm that poured a large amount of water into the crypt in June of the same year. This unforeseen event was to close the project for eighteen months.

This abnormal situation, beyond his control, greatly upset Colonel Gillet, combined with the illness he had been suffering from for some time, and forced him to resign from his duties. He carried out this hard work for more than six years. He left behind numerous reports and notes to allow his successor to benefit from his own acquired knowledge. After his resignation at the end of 2005, and to succeed him, the President appointed the Secretary General responsible for the works; the latter having prepared the Preliminary Study with the architect. It was then necessary to face the problems that did not fail to arise from all sides, following the cessation of the construction site and the departure of Colonel Gillet. A ballet of investigations and counter-investigations extended over six additional months to determine responsibilities and find an agreement between all the parties concerned (foundation, DRAC, architect and companies) to allow the resumption of the construction site.

## **-Initial Objective Works (DRAC + Foundation Contribution by donations)**

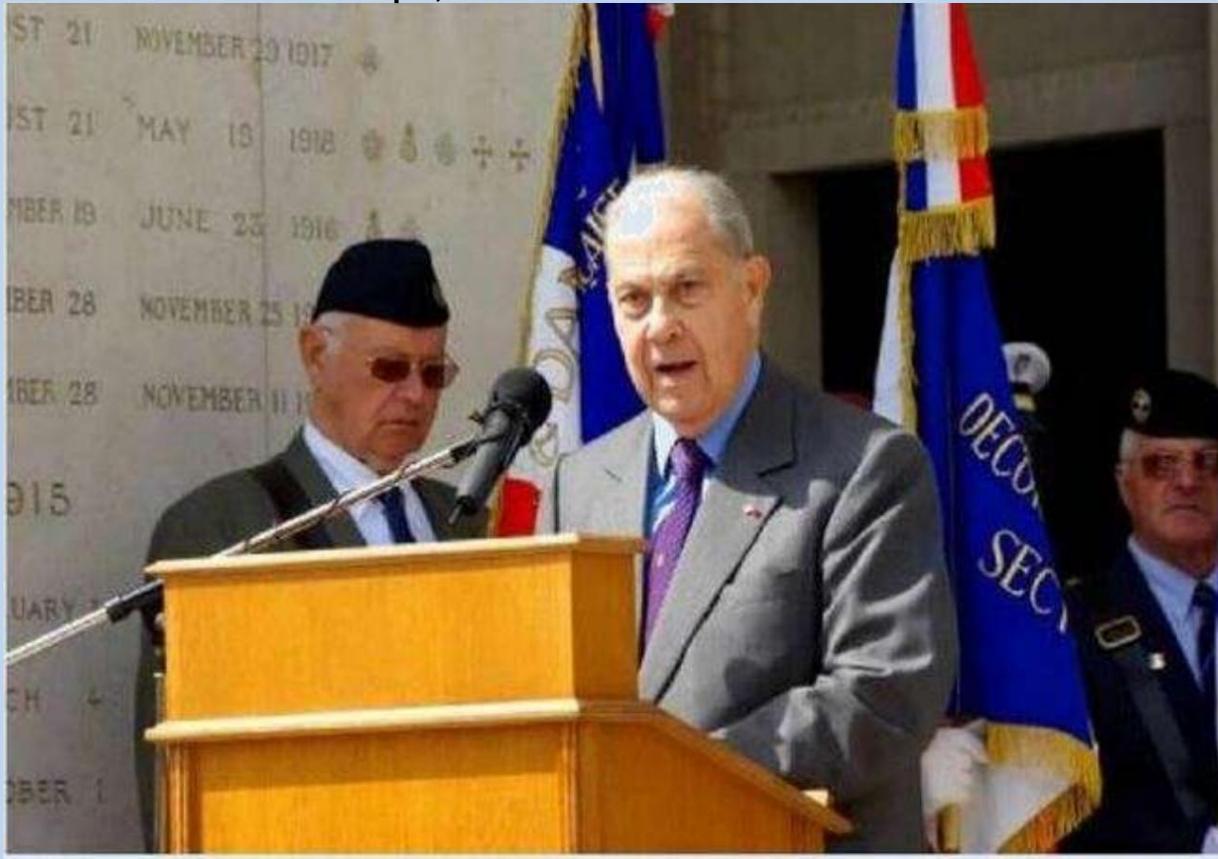
To put it simply, from the start of the preliminary study, i.e. since 1996, the restoration of the Monument was to be solely a "Franco-French" renovation between the Foundation, the Ministry of Culture, the General Council, the Ministry of Defense, the Souvenir Français and various other allied organizations providing specific donations. All of these organizations were to contribute financially to the urgent work but be limited to the waterproofing problems of the Monument and its Crypt. This financing was established on a 50-50 basis, taking into account the contribution of half of the sum by the Ministry of Culture. These works were called "Works with DRAC Contracting Authority". The revised cost of these works amounted to approximately €1,000,000; the budgeting of "DRAC" expenses took several years to unblock and its accounting deadlines were sometimes worthy of a serial drama.

The work would not begin before September 2002; it was necessary to launch calls for tenders with the help of the Ministry of Culture represented by Mr. Dominique Cerclet, Regional Conservator of Historic Monuments. We had to choose the best and most qualified companies for about ten contracts; this after other calls which we had to attend. The calls for tenders from companies were made through the newspaper "Le Moniteur" especially for masonry, cut stone and metalwork. We had only one construction site but with donors each financing a specific part of the project. (Drac, US Congress and General Council).

The companies "GAR" for masonry and "UTB" for waterproofing were selected, as well as Cabinet Asselin for verification and the company "Qualiconsult" as the safety and control office.

Some tasks could only be estimated after the destruction of the floors in order to assess their value first, by visual inspection, and then, to trigger expert appraisals, analyses, etc., on the full extent of the new damage identified. The concrete structure being fragile, water tests could only be carried out partially from the hemicycle. Water having entered the crypt following a storm in June 2005, forced the "DRAC" to find the causes and responsibility. This investigation will last 18 months and required, on the part of this arm of the ministry, the creation of an additional tranche. All this in order to repair the errors and damage of the previous insulation work and continue the rehabilitation. The excellent engineering company "Norisco" was requested by the DRAC to find the initial design errors and the responsibility of each in this matter.

The comprehensive review required new work that was not originally planned. This resulted in an urgent appeal to the American authorities and private donors, the latter two of which were, in principle, not to intervene until after the DRAC work.

**Mr. Charles Pasqua, President of the General Council of Hauts de Seine**

We owe a lot to Mr. Charles Pasqua (who died in 2015), President of the General Council of Hauts de Seine, whom we contacted with the continued support of Mrs. Odile Fourcade.

(then Vice-President of the Council). Mr. Pasqua had granted us an exceptional subsidy and many other aids and benefits. Mr. Nicolas Sarkozy, who succeeded Mr. Pasqua in 2000 as President of the Hauts-de-Seine Regional Council - until his election in 2007 as President of the Republic - also granted us a new subsidy for the work in 2006. We must regret that his successor at the head of Hauts-de-Seine unfortunately did not continue the well-established tradition but, on the contrary, cut all aid

about us.

**Discovery of the original paving (September 2002)**



**Removal of the stained glass windows in the crypt**



**Inauguration & Restoration**  
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Chapter 14- **The Great Renovations - Part 2 - -2000-Mr. Porter's Request to General Martin -2001-Bill of Congress - "Wreath Laying Ceremony"**

*-Success or failure of the 1st Renovation*

**-Mr. Porter's request to General Martin**

On Memorial Day 2000, the President of the Foundation met with General Gregory Martin, USAFE "Commander and Allied Air Forces for Northern Europe" and asked him what the American side intended to do to reinforce French efforts to repair the Monument.

Colonel Walter D. GIVAN, Deputy Military Assistant to the Secretary of the Air Force, and a French speaker, played the role of Liaison Officer between General Martin and General T. Michael MOSELEY, the future Chief of Staff at the Pentagon between 2005 and 2008, and with the Foundation and its members.

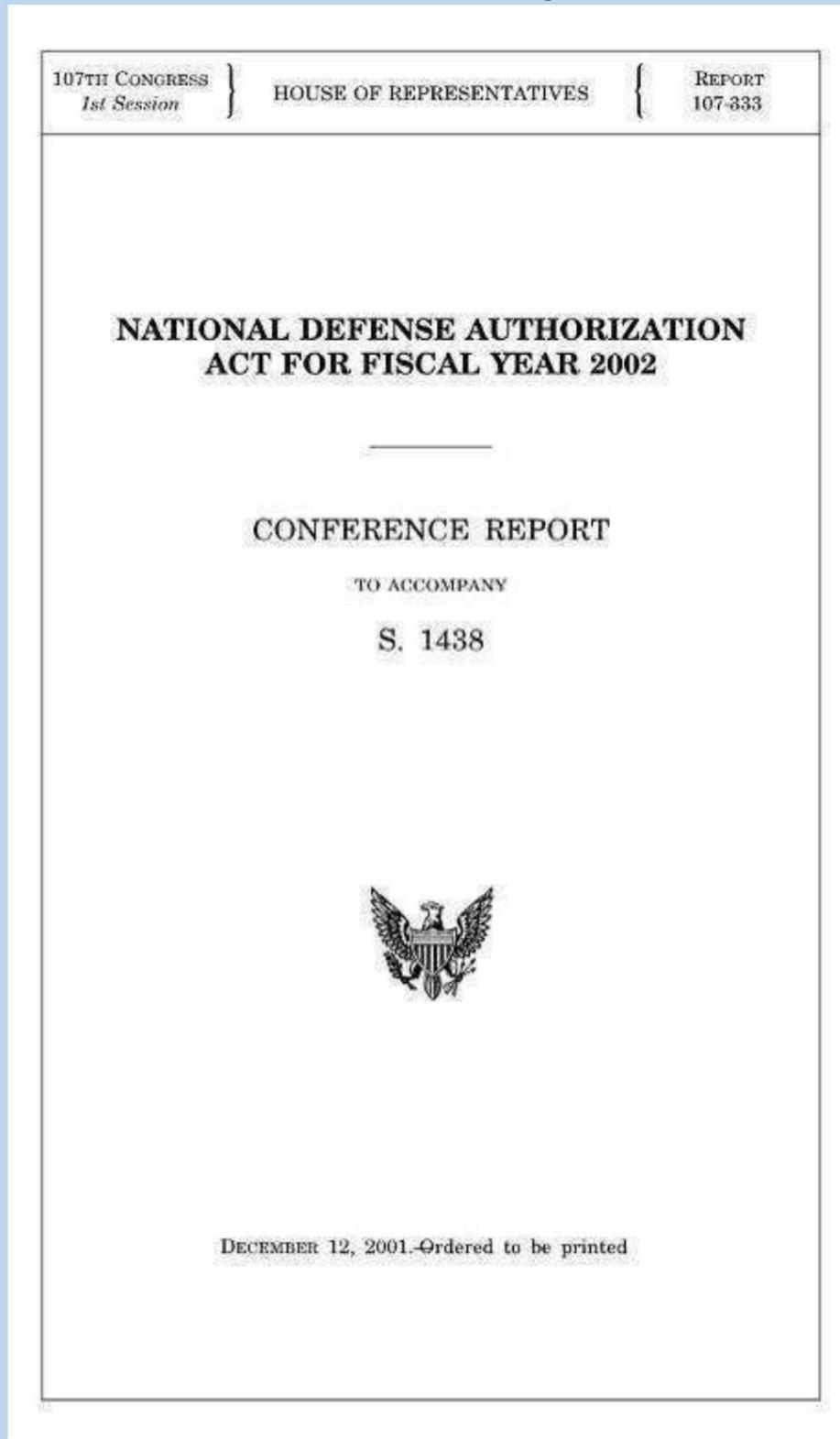
As a result, General Moseley supported the request for funds for the restoration of the Monument from the United States Congress.

Mr. Russell Porter, feeling unwell, later said privately that this request was completed after many meetings and formalities and that it was for him "His Swan Song." It was, in any case, the largest work undertaken since the Monument's construction, even if not all of the Monument's weak points were addressed in this restoration.

USAFE's first task was to produce a " Diagnostic Report" prepared by the London-based company CH2M Hill, containing all the geological, hydrological, air quality, and structural information about the Monument. It was completed on August 15, 2002, and was instrumental in securing funding from the United States Congress.

## -2001-Bill of Congress

### Cover of the Bill of Congress



This vote by the United States Congress, dated December 2001, of an allocation of \$2,100,000 for the renovation work (Bill of Congress), gave us the green light for the American part of the restoration called "LEM Grant". This amount came to us in the form of fundraising as the work progressed.

One of the first difficulties encountered was the dollar-to-euro exchange rate, which was becoming increasingly unfavorable without us being able to do anything to preserve it, with the capital remaining in the USA. Initially, its amount in dollars, converted into euros, corresponded to 2.15 million euros. It was thus to be reduced to 1.70 million in 2004 under the effect of a monetary parity that was disastrous for us at that time.

We had two types of work, one, with DRAC (France) as project manager and the other named "LEM Grant" (USA). Both works were under the architectural responsibility of Mr. Gatier. To summarize, we will say that the funds of the "LEM Grant" were allocated for the complete renovation of the crypt: floors, walls, tombs and stained glass windows and for the landscaping of the park damaged during the storm. These drawings on the American treasury were also used for exterior developments; such as the construction of disabled access, a safety railing surrounding the crypt at the rear of the Monument, the replacement of the masts of the two flags, the complete repair of the Monument's carriageways and electrical cabinets, etc. Let us add to this Prévert inventory the creation of the joggers' path along the lake from the entrance to our estate and going to the basin, then another path leading from before the caretaker's house to the Monument basin.

The funds provided by the Ministry of Culture, along with the Foundation's contribution, itself composed of other donors, were earmarked entirely for waterproofing the building. In the allocation of expenses, the DRAC financed 50% of the operations for which it was the project manager. Some waterproofing work, with joint funds from the DRAC and the "LEM Grant," took place. At that time, the US funds were considered by the Ministry of Culture as a contribution from the Foundation to follow the 50-50 rule for each side of the Atlantic.

USAFE (US Air Force Europe), based in Ramstein, provided us with valuable technical assistance, in addition to monitoring the funds, which was punctual and always well-informed. Mr. Thomas Cochran, a civil engineer at Ramstein, represented USAFE, came to the site for each construction meeting and was often accompanied by American officers from the base in Germany, who were responsible to the US Congress for the use of the allocated funds.

## - "Wreath Laying Ceremony"

To solemnly mark the assistance of the United States Congress in favor of the Monument, on June 17, 2001, a special and moving ceremony called the "Wreath Laying Ceremony" or "Wreath Laying Ceremony" took place at the Memorial, on the initiative of the US Air Force in Europe. "Wreath Laying Ceremony"

Many French and American personalities attended this event. They were composed mainly, on the French side, of General Hervé Longuet, Commander of the Combat Air Force; on the American side, of the already mentioned General Gregory Martin, Congressman Clifford Stearns, Co-Chairman of the USAF commission in the United States Congress and numerous members of Congress accompanied by their family.

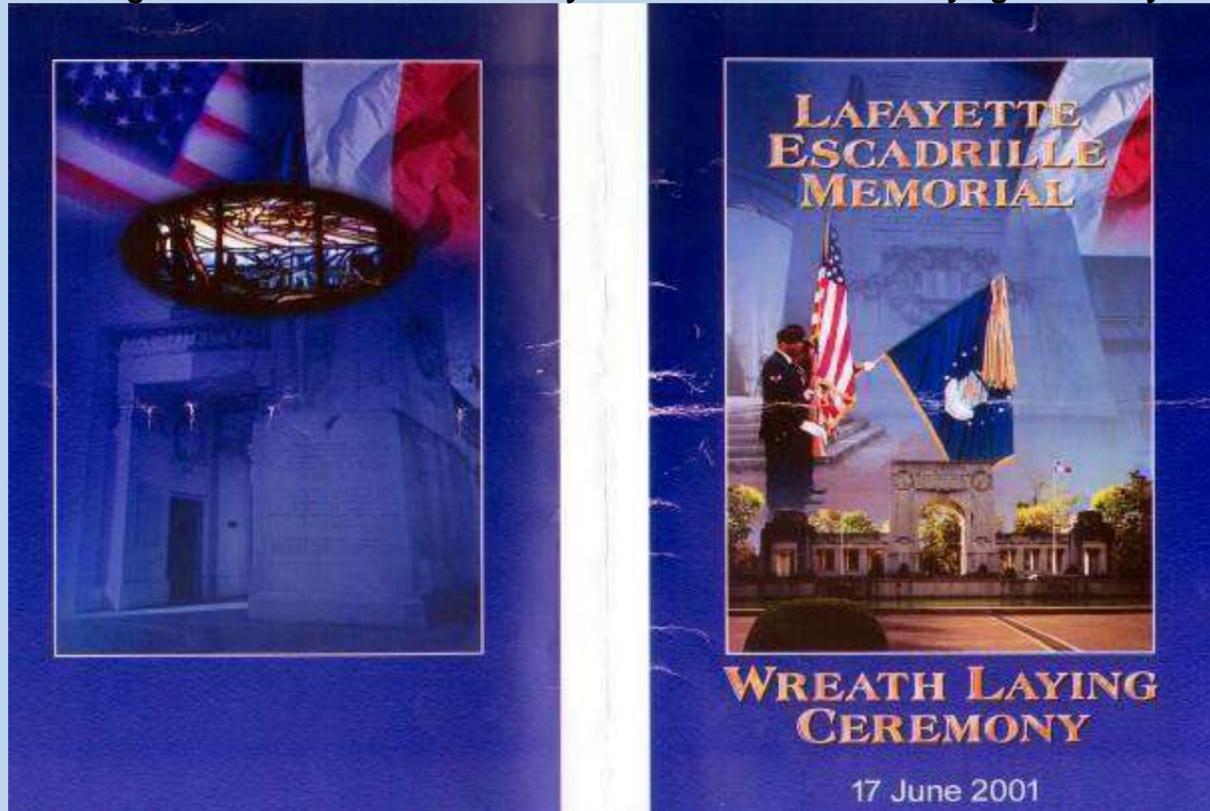
In Washington, at General Martin's request, General T. Michael Moseley pushed the issue forward, using all his influence. During a site visit, he told us that the cradle of the US Air Force was located in the Memorial's crypt.

We must also warmly thank the two Air Attachés who succeeded each other at the American Embassy; first, Colonel W. Michael GUILLOT and then, Colonel Robert C. DOOLEY. These Air Attachés of the Embassy spared no effort in their assistance, letters, publications of all kinds and travel, even with the French authorities who held them in high esteem.

**Presentation of the wreath to Mr. Russell M. Porter, President of the Foundation**



## Program of the American ceremony known as the "Wreath Laying Ceremony"



### Sequence of Events

Arrival of Official Party

Presentation of Colors

Invocation by Chaplain Bruno  
Deputy Command Chaplain  
HQ United States Air Forces in Europe

Introductory Remarks by General Martin  
Commander  
United States Air Forces in Europe

Remarks by Congressman Stearns  
Chairman, Air Force Caucus

Remarks by General Longuer  
Commandant le Force  
aérienne de Combat

Remarks by Colonel (Ret) Gillet  
French Co-President  
Lafayette Escadrille Memorial Foundation

Placement of the Wreath

Firing of the Volleys & Taps

Flyby

Benediction by Chaplain Bruno

Conclusion of Ceremony

Proceed to Crypt and Reception

### History

The idea for a memorial that would perpetuate the spirit of the young Americans who flew for France during the Great War originated with one of the surviving pilots, Edgar Hamilton. In 1923, he and others created the Lafayette Escadrille Memorial Foundation, which raised nearly 2 million francs in the United States and France for this memorial. The chief architect of the French government, Alexandre Marcel, designed and built the memorial, which was dedicated on 4 July, 1928.

There are several remarkable features about the memorial.

- The central arch is one-half the size of the Arc de Triomphe. The names flanking the arch are of the fliers who died during the war.
- The flanking galleries are inscribed with the names of the campaigns in which the Escadrille participated.
- The head of the Sioux chieftain, which you can see in several places, was the informal emblem of the Lafayette Escadrille.
- Likenesses of lion cubs "Whiskey" and "Soda," the Escadrille's mascots, are carved into the base of the memorial.
- The underground crypt contains 68 sarcophagi, but some are empty.
- The 11 stained glass windows in the crypt represent regions in France where the Escadrille served.

Creation of the Lafayette Escadrille in 1916 laid the foundation for the comradery between the French and American airmen which has lasted to the present day. The heroic efforts of these brave men paved the way to Allied victory and enhanced historically strong Franco-American ties.



The Lafayette Escadrille Memorial embodies the spirit of American airmen flying in defense of democracy and freedom. Their legacy endures because of your participation and support.

## -Success or failure of the 1st Renovation

If the work remained unfinished, it was mainly due to lack of funds, the work waterproofing alone having taken the majority of the budgets. At the end of the campaign, in 2008, humidity was soaking into the walls in certain places on days of heavy rain.

The state of the renovated crypt after this phase, even though it was not completed for various reasons, could not be compared to the previous situation. The work continued until 2011, and we admit, without finding a definitive solution to the problem of the crypt's waterproofing.

In 2011, the general image of the Monument was one of cleanliness and hygiene, both inside and out, and could not be compared to any date since the 1960s.

**The Secretary General and General Moseley (Chief of Staff) US Air Force**



*“Restoring the Lafayette Escadrille Memorial extends past national pride and heritage—  
we have a sacred obligation to take care of the Airmen.” --T. Michael Moseley, 18th Chief of Staff,  
United States Air Force*

*“The restoration of the Lafayette Escadrille Memorial extends beyond national pride and heritage – we have a sacred obligation to care for our aviators”.*

**Per Ardua Ad Astra**  
(Through the pitfalls to the stars)

**Sic Itur ad Astra**  
(This is how we rise to the stars)  
-motifs of several air forces around the world-

Fragment of stained glass window No. 1 "Pro-Libertate"



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#### **Chapter 15- The Great Renovations -Part 3-**

##### **-Historical**

*-Agreements of the Congress, the French Government, the Foundation and the ABMC*

*-Renovation Led by ABMC & Conclusion*

*-Opening of the "Visitors' Center"*

##### **-Historical**

On June 5, 1946, Colonel Thenault initiated proceedings with the United States Graves Registration Commission to take complete control of the Monument. We have found no trace of a written response on this subject from this organization. But this end-of-war period was hardly conducive to even the outline of a solution.

In 1956, under the chairmanship of Mr. Charles Grey, discussions began with the ABMC - American Battle Commission - which succeeded the American organization named above. But Grey simultaneously made the same approach to the Beaux-Arts, better safe than sorry, but neither succeeded.

In June 1956, Mr. Julian Allen, the newly elected President, raised this issue again; this divided the council into two camps. Curiously enough, the majority of French members supported the American solution, while the majority of Americans defended the French solution. Paul Rockwell himself seemed to be the main opponent of this attempt at rapprochement with the US authorities. The new President, although in favor of the ABMC solution, avoided resolving this problem in order to maintain unity within the council.

Then, in the 1970s, the ABMC and the Foundation cooperated on limited solutions for the rehabilitation of the crypt, a temporary restoration of the Monument, and also for the installation of a new covering on the hemicycle. The budgets committed proved too low, thus producing mixed and unsustainable results over time, which prevented the good intentions detected on both sides at that time from moving towards a deeper rapprochement between the two entities.

**-Agreements of the Congress, the French Government, the Foundation and the ABMC**

In December 2010, the ABMC established a study called "Feasible Study" considering a long-term work and maintenance plan for a period of thirty years.

An agreement was signed on April 12, 2012, by French Defense Minister Gérard Longuet and General Merril McPeak, Chairman of the American Battle Monuments Commission (ABMC). According to General McPeak, the aim is to "preserve the memorial to protect the history of its pilots," who formed the first American squadron under French command. For Gérard Longuet, this partnership is "a militant commitment for future generations," and will "enable the ABMC to be involved in the management and maintenance of the memorial with the approval of the U.S. Congress. Added to this initial intention will be France's commitment" to demonstrate "the unwavering friendship between the French people and the people of the United States."

This declaration was followed on January 4, 2016, by an act of Congress voting in favor of ABMC acquiring the Lafayette Escadrille Memorial. The Lafayette Escadrille Centennial ceremony showed everyone a Monument in perfect condition. Since January 9, 2017, the "American Battle Monuments Commission" has owned the Lafayette Escadrille Memorial.

**Signing of the Agreement between General Merrill McPeak (ABMC) and the President of the Foundation (Mr. Alexander Blumrosen), for the delivery of the Monument to the ABMC**

**Act of the Congress of January 2, 2016**

H. R. 5937

**One Hundred Fourteenth Congress  
of the  
United States of America****AT THE SECOND SESSION***Begin and held at the City of Washington on Monday,  
the fourth day of January, two thousand and sixteen***An Act**

To amend title 36, United States Code, to authorize the American Battle Monuments Commission to acquire, operate, and maintain the Lafayette Escadrille Memorial in Marnes-la-Coquette, France, and for other purposes.

*Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of  
the United States of America in Congress assembled,*

**SECTION 1. AUTHORITY OF THE AMERICAN BATTLE MONUMENTS  
COMMISSION TO ACQUIRE, OPERATE, AND MAINTAIN  
THE LAFAYETTE ESCADRILLE MEMORIAL.**

(a) IN GENERAL.—Chapter 21 of title 36, United States Code, is amended by adding at the end the following new section:

**“§ 2115. Acquisition, operation, and maintenance of Lafayette  
Escadrille Memorial**

“The American Battle Monuments Commission may enter into an agreement with the Lafayette Escadrille Memorial Foundation to acquire, operate, and maintain the Lafayette Escadrille Memorial in Marnes-la-Coquette, France. Under such an agreement, the Commission shall make necessary arrangements to ensure the ongoing maintenance of the memorial, including the cemetery at the memorial that contains the remains of 49 aviators of the United States who died during World War I.”

(b) CLERICAL AMENDMENT.—The table of sections at the beginning of chapter 21 of such title is amended by adding at the end of the following new item:

“2115. Acquisition, operation, and maintenance of Lafayette Escadrille Memorial.”

*Speaker of the House of Representatives.*

## **-Renovation Led by ABMC & Conclusion**

(ABMC: American Battle Commission)

In 2010, ABMC entered into an agreement with the company "CH2M Hill, Inc."

-this latter firm had already worked on the first restoration- to carry out a complete engineering study, to determine the scale and scope of the work required at that time to fully restore the Memorial. This estimate amounted to 14M according to the details below. In any case, it did not take into account the sanitation of the underside of the plenum, then envisaged in a later phase in 2016:

-A/E Services and General Design \$2.4M -Site

Restoration \$5.8M -Monument

Repair \$4.7M -Contingency \$1.1M

**-Total \$14.0M**

This study already represented approximately three times the cost of the first renovation. We believe that this provisional estimate was subsequently significantly exceeded. Generally, these overruns affect all estimates of this nature, as they take little or no account of contingencies, which only become fully apparent as the work progresses or at the final conclusion.

Subsequent work from 2015 carried out by ABMC with the same architect Mr.

Gatier and greater financial resources completed the entire work beautifully, for which we greatly welcome it. It seems remarkable to us that the final renovation was ready for the Escadrille's centenary. Some elements of the restoration continued to be completed after the ceremony.

Not having participated in this splendid renovation, we cannot yet inform you of its progress, which we deeply regret.

The current President of the Foundation, Mr Blumrosen, was kind enough to share with us his conclusions regarding the two renovations in January 2020, and his idea of seeing them as a single, identical action did not displease us.

Here are his comments in substance, which we agree with:

"It seems to me that we should perhaps consider the period 2001-2016 as a parenthesis in the history of the Memorial, where the damage was noted, remedies put forward and finances were found.

In successive stages, solutions were put in place, with however some constants: political and financial support from the US, and also from the French State with the support of the Air Force and therefore in response to the Air Staff which pushed in this direction - especially in the person of General Denis Mercier - to obtain the necessary credits.

During this period, two separate but related issues took priority: saving the structure, then ensuring its sustainability within the ABMC.

However, General Moseley stands out for his energy and his 30-year persistence in finding a solution. We should also mention General McPeak, whose position as Chairman of the ABMC enabled the final outcome; without his tenacity, we would still be in 2007....

We can be happy and proud to have each contributed our stone to the building.

We believe that in this work we have respected the spirit of this conclusion.

#### **-Opening of the “Visitors’ Center”**

On November 11, 2019, the Visitors' Center was inaugurated; this brand new center was built in place of the old guard house. A replica of a Nieuport aircraft, flown at the beginning of the La Fayette Escadrille's existence, is shown in half axial view.

Also in 2019, the Foundation's archives were reclassified and transferred to this center by the former Secretary, who had long been their custodian. They were largely archived by the ABMC.

Unfortunately, since the lockdown triggered by Covid in early 2020, this center has not had the desired impact in its early years. This wonderful remembrance activity should resume its full scope after the end of this painful pandemic.

On the next page, the photo seen from the outside and the one from the inside will give you an overview. places.



Photo Gérald Taupin



**Veterans' Day and Visitor Center Dedication Ceremony****Lafayette Escadrille Memorial Cemetery**

Superintendent – Mr. Keith Stadler, ABMC

Master of Ceremony – Mr. Carly Mathieu, Assistant Superintendent, ABMC

**ARRIVAL OF THE OFFICIAL PARTY****PRESENTATION OF COLORS****NATIONAL ANTHEMS**

U.S. Air Force Europe Band

**INVOCATION:** Chaplain, John Bailey, Lt Col USAF**HOST REMARKS:** Mr. William M. MATZ, Jr.  
Secretary, American Battle Monuments Commission**REMARKS:** Major General Greg A. Semmel, Air National Guard Assistant to the  
Commander, United States Air Forces in Europe / Air Forces Africa**WREATH LAYING****SONNERIE AUX MORTS, MOMENT OF SILENCE, TAPS****RETIREMENT OF THE COLORS****DEPARTURE TO THE VISITOR CENTER**

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**DEDICATION INTRODUCTION:** Mr. Robert J. Dalessandro  
Deputy Secretary, American Battle Monuments Commission**DEDICATION REMARKS:** Mrs. Christiane Baroody-Weiss  
Mayor, Mantes-la-Coquette**DEDICATION REMARKS:** Brig. Gen. (ret.) John P. McGoff  
Commissioner, American Battle Monuments Commission**RIBBON CUTTING AND DISCOVERY OF THE VISITOR CENTER****Cérémonie du 11 Novembre et Inauguration du Centre des Visiteurs****Lafayette Escadrille Memorial Cemetery**

Superintendant – M. Keith Stadler, ABMC

Maître de Cérémonie – M. Carly Mathieu, Superintendant Adjoint, ABMC

**ARRIVÉE DES OFFICIELS****PRÉSENTATION DES COULEURS****HYMNES NATIONAUX**

Fanfare des Forces Aériennes des États-Unis en Europe

**INVOCATION:** Aumônier, John Bailey, Lt Col USAF**ALLOCUTION DE L'HÔTE:** M. William M. MATZ, Jr.  
Secrétaire, American Battle Monuments Commission**ALLOCUTION:** Major General Greg A. Semmel, Air National Guard Assistant to the  
Commander, United States Air Forces in Europe / Air Forces Africa**DÉPÔT DE GERBES****SONNERIE AUX MORTS, MOMENT DE SILENCE, TAPS****RETRAIT DES COULEURS****DÉPART POUR LE CENTRE DES VISITEURS**

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Commissioner, American Battle Monuments Commission**COUPÉ DU RUBAN ET DÉCOUVERTE DU CENTRE DES VISITEURS**

## Inauguration & Restoration

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#### **Chapter 16 - The Centenary of the Squadron on April 20, 1916 - Part 1**

**-Invitations and Presentation**

**-Arrival of Personalities, Anthems and Salutations to the Flags**

**-Symbolic Unveiling of the Renovated Memorial**

**-Overflight of the Sites by the Air Force & the US Air Force**

#### **-Invitations & Presentation**



On this beautiful spring day, the ceremony celebrating the centenary of the Lafayette Escadrille is taking place, a century to the day after the squadron's creation.

This Wednesday, officials, military figures, and civilians are preparing to pay a vibrant tribute to the creation of the N124. Moreover, 2018 represents the 238th consecutive year of alliance between France and the United States.

In the following chapter, you will find a reproduction of the ceremony brochure, distributed to participants at the entrance and upon presentation of their invitation.

The audience was seated in a long stand stretching from the pool to more than halfway across the pitch. At the far end of the park, a tent had been erected to house the reception's closing reception. To the right, as they entered the central aisle, was a model airplane stand.

**French flag bearers approaching**



### **-Arrival of Personalities, Anthems and Salutations to the Flags**

The Air Force and US Marine Corps bands performed, in turn, their respective serenades.

The Foreign Legion Recruitment Group (GRLE), an integral part of the Legion's core, was present, in white caps, to pay tribute.

First, a delegation of French flag bearers, led by American soldiers and marching to lively military music, appeared. This delegation took its place in front of the right arch of the Monument.

The national anthems were played upon the arrival of the Secretary of State to the Minister of Defense and the United States Ambassador, and the traditional review of the troops took place under a spring sun.

The ceremonial flags, chosen for the parade, were presented in a formal and solemn manner: American, French and that of the US Air Force.

### Arrival of Personalities at the Monument



### Row of the three officially honored flags



-Symbolic unveiling of the renovated memorial

**The President of the Lafayette Escadrille Memorial Foundation  
& General Merrill McPeak, President of ABMC.**

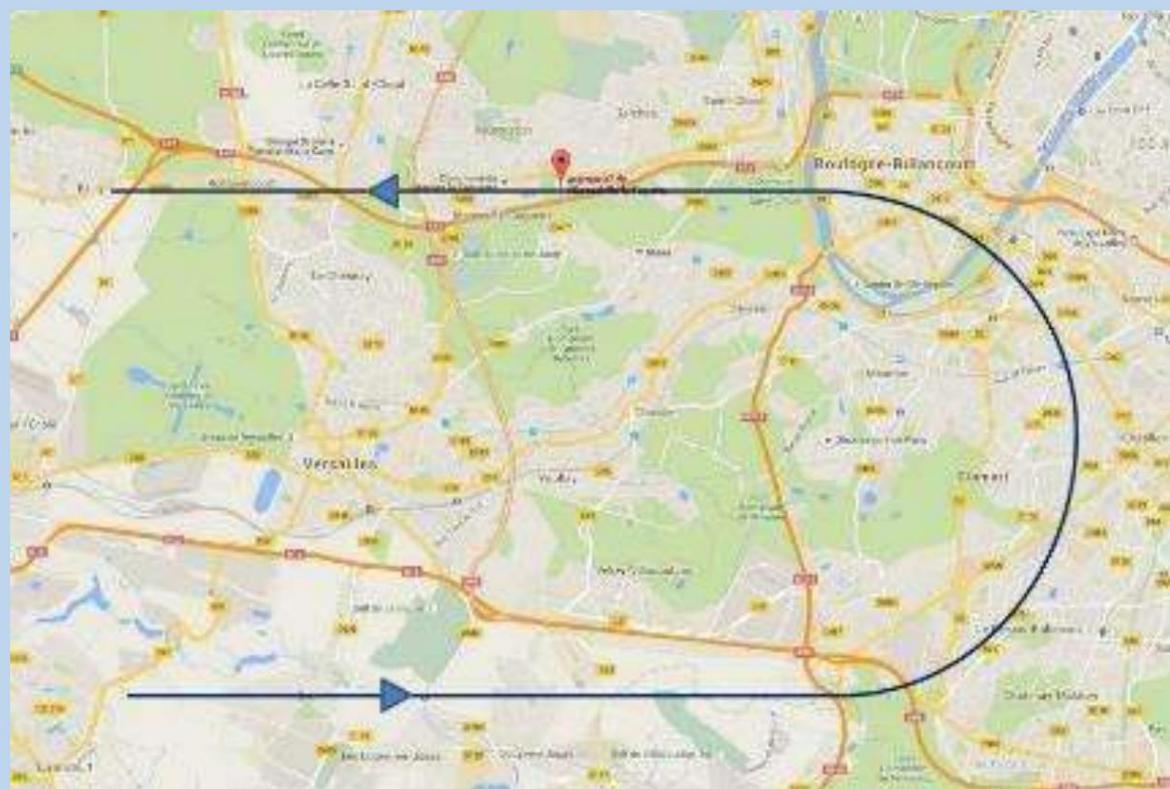


### **-Overflight of the Sites by the Air Force & the US Air Force**

Above the Memorial, flights from the French Air Force will join forces, followed by those from the US Air Force. These two forces will fly together over nine municipalities in the Île-de-France region: Guyancourt, Villacoublay, Rocquencourt, Clamart, Issy-les-Moulineaux, Boulogne-Billancourt, Saint-Cloud, Garches, and Marnes-la-Coquette. Below is a partial overview of the flight plan.

#### Air Force Flights

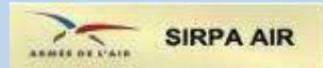
[Flight Plan](#)



**Improvised Patrol on Centennial Day**



**"Mirage 2000Ns" from the "La Fayette" Fighter Squadron, based in Istres Provence-Alpes-Côte d'Azur / Manufacturer Dassault Aviation**



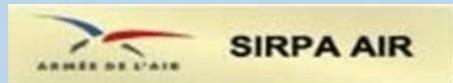
**A "Rafale" from the 1/4 Gascogne Fighter Squadron - Saint-Dizier Air Base  
-Manufacturer Serge Dassault**



A Eurocopter Group "Fennec" helicopter from ALAT



We would like to thank "Sirpa Air", this Air Force organization which authorized us to publish most of the photos of the ceremony.



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-US Air Force flights

**Four F-22 Raptor stealth fighter jets from the 94th Fighter Squadron.  
-Manufacturer Lockheed Martin-**



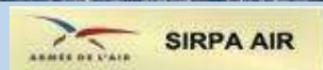
**Currently based in Langley, Virginia, this squadron had flown in France in 1918, flying entirely Nieuport 28s.**



Below, this long-range, subsonic jet-powered strategic bomber, flown over by an Air Force helicopter, no doubt for the purposes of this magnificent photo.

The Boeing Company designed and built this flagship aircraft from across the Atlantic. It can carry up to 31,500 kg of air-to-ground munitions and travel more than 14,000 km without refueling.

**On the way to the Monument A B-52 Stratofortress Bomber from North Dakota**





**A "Stearman PT17", a biplane used as a military trainer**

**-Current manufacturer Boeing-**

**Aircraft produced since 1941 - It is operational in 18 countries)**





**Inauguration & Restoration**  
**End of the 20th & Beginning of the 21st Century**

**Chapter 17 - Centennial of the Squadron on April 20, 1916 - Part 2 - John Yellow**

*Bird, President of the Oglala Sioux - Jean-Marc*

*Todeschini, Secretary of State to the Minister of Defense*

*- Ambassador of the United States of America to France Jane D. Hartley*

*- History of the Squadron by Lt. Colonel Raphael Venot and Lectures - Mrs.*

*Deborah Lee James, Secretary of the U.S. Army - Laying of*

*Wreaths - Salute of Honor and Post-Keeping of the Dead*

*- Visit of the Crypt*

*- Interview with General David Goldfein*

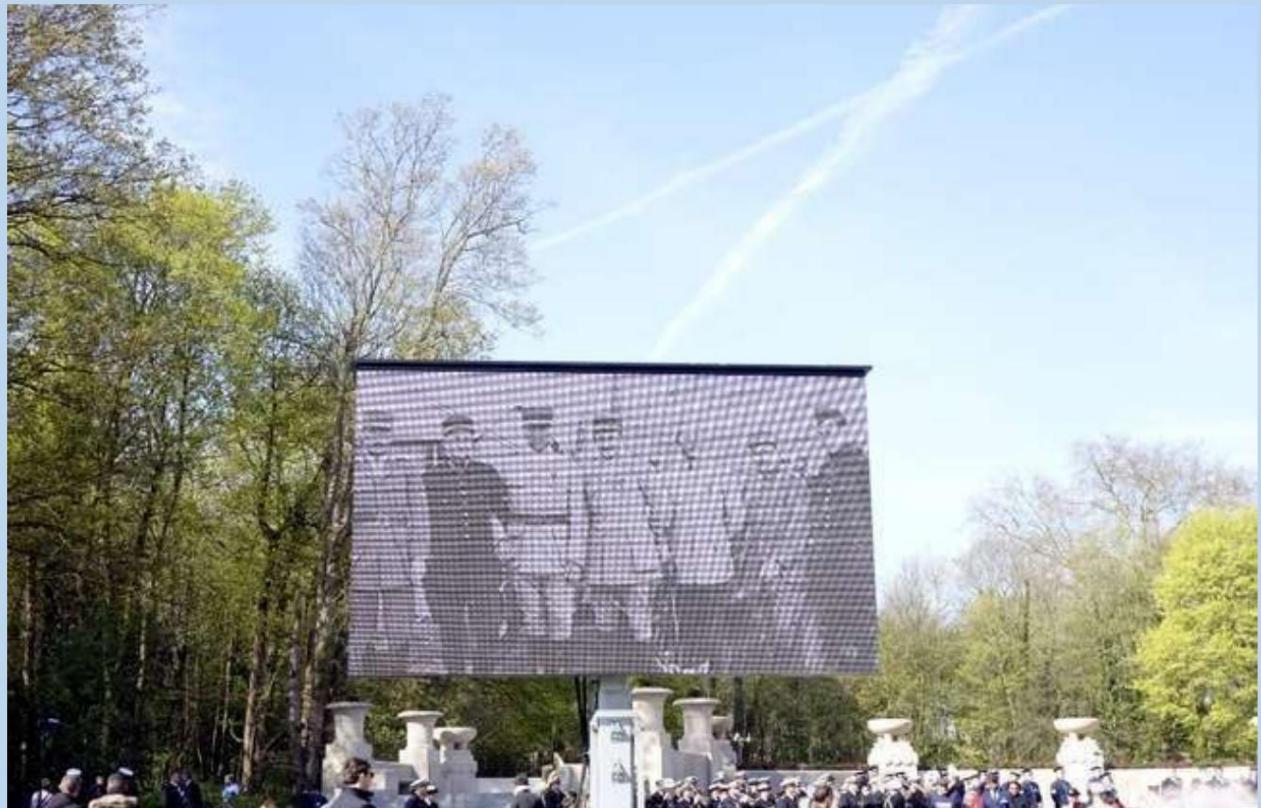
*- Model Exhibition*



**-John Yellow Bird, President of the Oglala Sioux In**

the prime of their youth, they chose to place a Sioux head as an emblem on their biplanes. One hundred years later, a traditional Indian incantation in the Suan language echoed beneath the Memorial Arch.





**-Jean-Marc Todeschini, Secretary of State to the Minister of Defense (Responsible for Veterans and Remembrance)**



"We are gathered today to remember that one hundred years ago, France and the United States of America stood up against the enemies of the free world. A century later, the conflicts have changed in nature, and our enemies in face, but we still defend the same values: those of law and democracy."

"Americans and French, we pay tribute together to the men who created the Lafayette Squadron in 1916. The history of the squadron is not well known by our fellow citizens. Yet it was decisive in the United States' entry into the war, whose centennial we will celebrate next year, and in strengthening the ties that exist between our two countries."

"The centuries-old bond that unites French and American pilots has its origins in the turmoil of the Great War. It was born from the voluntary commitment of many American pilots eager to defend the values of freedom."

"On April 18, 1916, the "American squadron," which brought together volunteers to fight under the French flag, was naturally renamed "La Fayette Escadrille."

"These pilots chose to defend a country in which they were not born, but whose democratic values they shared. We commemorate their bravery in this symbolic place. To pay tribute to the volunteers, the Lafayette Memorial was inaugurated on July 4, 1928, in the presence of the French Minister of War, Marshal Foch, and the United States Ambassador, Myron T. Herrick."

"Fifty-one soldiers are buried in the Memorial. Two Frenchmen, Lieutenant-Colonel Thenault, the first squadron leader, and General Brocard, chose to be buried alongside their American comrades in the crypt."

"The choice made by these two French general officers shows that the Memorial is more than a tomb."

"It is one of the true symbols of the brotherhood of arms between two nations committed to freedom and democracy. It illustrates a shared history between the United States and France. It reminds us of the permanence and strength of the ties that unite two republics. We share a duty to ensure the memorial's longevity."

"The French and American authorities thus launched an ambitious renovation plan in 2002 which, I hope, will be completed in the coming months."

"In February 2014, a declaration of intent between the French Ministry of Defense, the American Battle Monuments Commission and the Foundation confirmed the intentions of cooperation of each party. The work, which began in June 2015, will confirm the Memorial as one of the high places of shared memory between France and the United States."

"I would like to congratulate each of the French and American actors for their fraternal cooperation."

"I would like to emphasize, through the Directorate of Memory, Heritage and Archives, the significant financial commitment of the Ministry of Defense."

"I salute the Lafayette Escadrille Memorial Foundation, which has been working since 1930 to ensure the longevity and proper management of the memorial and its crypt. Every year, on November 11 and at the end of May, for Memorial Day, the Foundation organizes a ceremony in tribute to the squadron's pilots. I also salute the daily commitment of the Marnes-la-Coquette town hall to serving the memory of its region."

"But beyond the two ceremonies, the Foundation also regularly engages with American and French youth to remind them of the importance of the shared history of their two countries. I am particularly committed to ensuring that such initiatives are carried out with the younger generations, who must be tirelessly encouraged to carry out the work of remembrance, which is more essential today than ever."

"Finally, I salute the daily work of the American Battle Monuments Commission, which is the guardian of American cemeteries and memorials abroad and which helps to preserve the memory of the soldiers who fell defending our continent."

"Ladies and gentlemen, the primary purpose of this ceremony is to affirm our gratitude to the pilots of the Lafayette Squadron. But our presence is also a testament to our loyalty. Even more powerfully, we celebrate the strength of the alliance between the United States and France. An alliance that General Pershing rekindled in 1917 with his famous: 'Lafayette, here we come.'"

"Lafayette, with a certain premonition, wrote in June 1777: The happiness of America is intimately linked to the happiness of all humanity; it will become the respectable and safe asylum of virtue, honesty, tolerance, equality and a tranquil liberty."

"May we continue to keep alive, through the cooperation and unfailing friendship between our two countries, this shared memory in the service of freedom and the defense of human rights. We owe this commitment to our glorious elders who sacrificed their lives; we owe it to our compatriots and to all citizens of the world who are fighting everywhere against fanaticism, intolerance and barbarism."

**"Long live the friendship between France and the United States "**

Source Ministry of Defense:

**-the Ambassador of the United States of America to France, Jane D. Hartley**

"I want to thank two people in particular who were present at the event. We salute the courage and sacrifice of all the Tuskegee Airmen, and especially the two here with us today, Mr. Eugene Richardson and Mr. Theodore Lumpkin. These Tuskegee Airmen were there to remember the world's first Black aviator, Eugene Jacques Bullard, or better known as the 'Black Swallow of Death,' who flew with the Lafayette Escadrille and eventually earned, among other things, France's highest decoration, the Legion of Honor."

"In 1961, thirty-three years after his death, he was commissioned as a second lieutenant in the US Air Force," says Jane Hartley.

The ambassador wanted to evoke Eugene Bullard, the first black pilot "African-American, engaged in the Legion, he fought first on the ground at Verdun then in the air under the wings of Squadron N.85 where he obtained two victories. Subsequently he was decorated in

1959 and made a Knight of the Legion of Honor by the French Consul in New York. He was not invited to the inauguration of the Memorial (See Chap. 04).

Note: The 'Tuskegee Airmen' indicates the popular name of a group of African-American pilots (originally from Tuskegee in Alabama) who distinguished themselves during the Second World War like Eugene Bullard in the First World War.

### **-History of the Squadron by Lt-Colonel Raphael Venot and Readings**

Ignoring their country's primary neutrality, they crossed the Atlantic in 1916 to fight with the French army. "Two hundred and sixty-seven Americans enlisted in the N 124," recalls Lieutenant Colonel Raphaël Venot, who commanded the La Fayette fighter squadron, heir to the legendary squadron. "Sixty-two died, 19 were wounded, and 15 were taken prisoner," he recounts.

-Mrs. Deborah Lee James, Secretary of the U.S. Army, said:

"We also honor the American and French citizens who sacrificed their lives to protect common ideals. These valiant airmen led to the founding of American air power, called the Air Force, which will always stand alongside France."

"In 2016, the ideals of these men endure. "The cause of liberty has united France and the United States for more than two hundred years."

### **-Readings:**

"United States Commitment to France," by a student at Lycée Jeannine Lille Academy Manual

"Youth Commitment," by a student from the Notre-Dame Saint-Sigisbert High School in the Nancy-Metz academy

### **-Laying of Wreaths - Salute of Honor and Posting of the Last Post**

This part of the ceremony in the American military tradition is called the "Wreath Laying »

Wreath-laying: Alexander

Blumrosen, President of the Lafayette Memorial Foundation; Merrill McPeak, President of the ABMC Commission

Madam Ambassador of the United States of America, Jane D. Hartley

Brig. Gen. (USAF Ret.) Leon Johnson

Mr. Secretary of State, Jean-Marc Todeschini





**Blank shots or, for the English, “Firing of Volleys”**



The shot is followed by the traditional gut-wrenching "Pealing the Dead," called "Taps" in the U.S. military.

The traditional minute of silence closed the tribute.

## -Visit of the Crypt

A group of high school students places a rose on each of the 68 sarcophagi

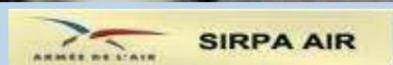


(Figures from left to right in the photo in the crypt)

- JM Todeschini-Secretary of State,
- Ambassador Jane D. Hartley,
- General David Golfein, Vice Chief of Staff of the United States Air Force
- General André Lanata, General of the French Air Force



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**Traditionally, the protocol ceremony ends after the homage in the crypt**

### **-Interview with General David Goldfein**

At the end of the ceremony, General David Goldfein, Vice Chief of Staff of the United States Air Force, made an interesting statement to the newspaper "Le Monde." The head of the US Air Force was already the son of an aviator and born in France, at the American air base in Couvron, in the Aisne department. He confided the following to his entourage, which will serve as our

conclusion for this anniversary: "For our two countries, it all began here. We, the aviators, are returning to our common roots. I have used the name Lufbery throughout my flying career, and standing today in front of the crypt where Raoul Lufbery rests is like a religious experience."

### **"They are the ones who taught us to fly."**

"There is a shared element of reliability in our relationship, and today, as we speak, Americans and French are fighting side by side, and that will continue into the future."

### **- Model Exhibition**

Finally, a pleasant exhibition of aircraft models, reproducing the models that fought during the Great War, was offered to visitors.

#### **Model Stand**





**Souvenir photo with the participants of the "US Air Force"**



**“Vin d’Honneur” Tent**



**-You Tube Links (February 2021)**

(This list is not exhaustive)

01-La Fayette Centennial] Stearman PT 17 Flypast

[https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=smNsX2\\_wXAQ](https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=smNsX2_wXAQ)

02-Centenary of the La Fayette Squadron - Marnes-La-Coquette

[https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=Y\\_E\\_6p90ptw&t=25s](https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=Y_E_6p90ptw&t=25s)

03-La Fayette Centenary] Speech by Mr. Todeschini

[https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=yN3vvX\\_4Ea8](https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=yN3vvX_4Ea8)

04-Centenary of La Fayette] Salvoes fired by the "twenty one guns"

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=5XsJ4Mj3xGk>

05-Centenary Squadron - Mirage 2000N / F22-Raptor / B-52 / Rafale B

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=hvv1nDveB5U>

06-Lafayette Squadron Broll

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=cCelummKiuk>

07-100th anniversary ceremony of the 2/4 La Fayette squadron (Ministry of Defense)

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=zZCy1jQYQ2c>

08-Secretary of the Air Force at Lafayette Escadrille Memoriam

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=HB85KaMw2fQ>

09-Lafayette Escadrille Memorial Ceremony

[https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=cfn30rj\\_nis](https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=cfn30rj_nis)

10-Centenary Commemoration of the Escadrille Lafayette

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=d5jZ9SfLXL0>

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**Chapter 18 - Squadron Centenary - Brochure & Reception**

*-Reception at the United States Embassy*

*-Brochure Common to all Centenary organizations*



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**-Reception at the United States Embassy**



**Waiting for the welcome speech**

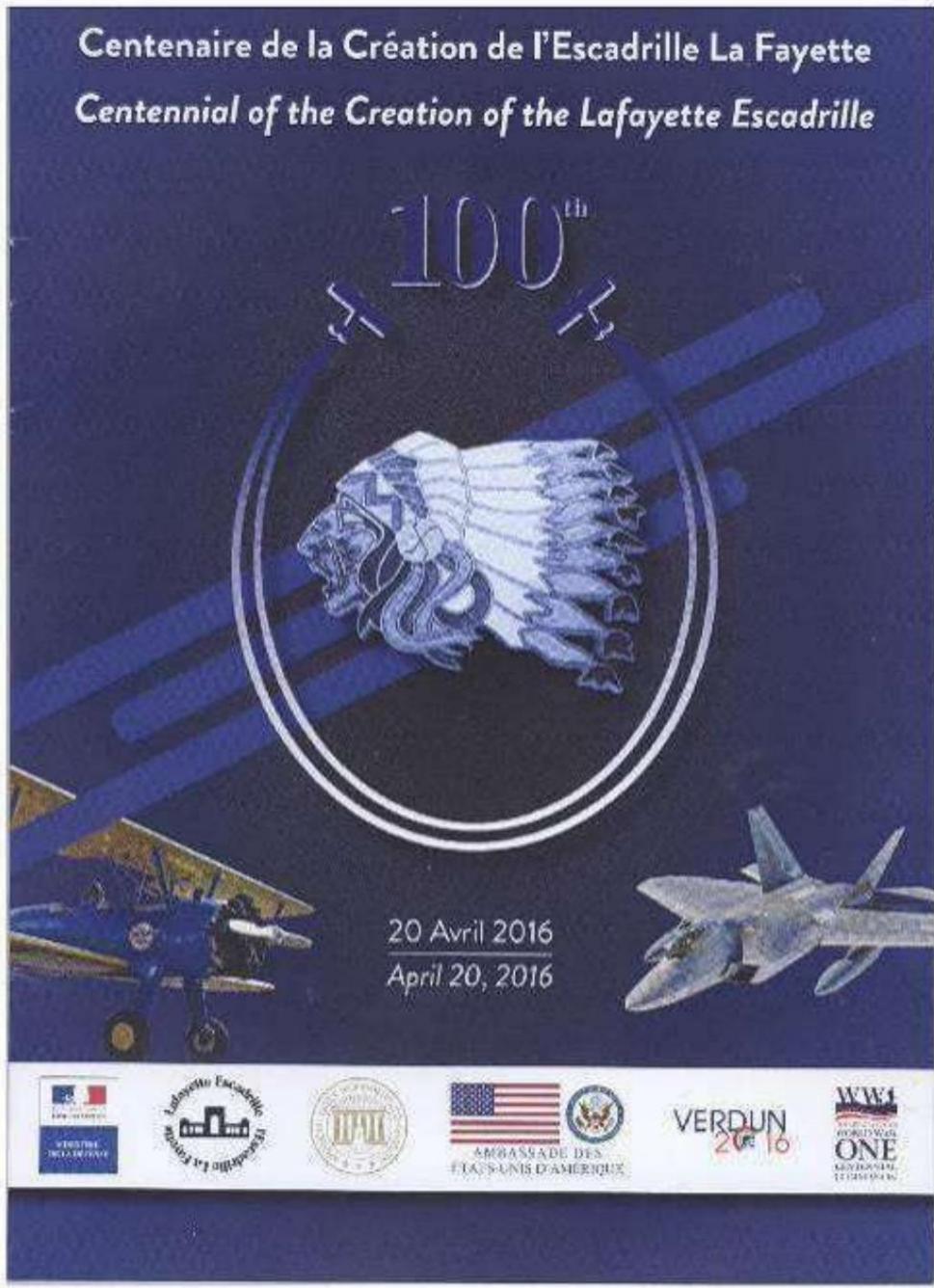
We will end this chapter with this sentence spoken during the centenary reception following the ceremony and taken from the embassy website.

<https://fr.usembassy.gov/fr/things-change-100-years-dont-blood-bleeds-red/>

**“Some things change over 100 years and some don't: -all blood bleeds red”-**

Said Max Cleland, Secretary General of the ABMC, at the reception organized for the centennial of the Lafayette Squadron. And, he added so many times, France and the United States fought side by side to defend Liberty.

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## PROGRAMME

### **Maître de cérémonie : Lieutenant-Colonel Eve Douglas**

1. Arrivée des hautes autorités civiles et militaires et Honneurs au drapeau
2. Hymnes nationaux
3. Revue des troupes
4. Survol aérien
  - 3 Mirage 2000N de l'escadron de chasse (EC) 2/4 « La Fayette », 1 Rafale de l'EC 1/91 « Gascogne »
  - 4 F-22 Raptor du 94th et 95th Fighter Squadron de l'USAF
5. Dévoilement symbolique du Mémorial rénové
6. Invocation et Remarques
  - Intervention de John Yellow Bird Steele, Président des tribus Sioux Oglala
  - Présentation historique de l'escadrille La Fayette par le lieutenant-colonel Raphaël Venot, commandant l'escadrille La Fayette de chasse 2/4
  - Engagement des Etats-Unis auprès de la France, Lycée Jeannine Manuel
  - Engagement de la jeunesse, Lycée Notre-Dame Saint-Sigisbert
  - Discours de Madame Deborah Lee James, Secrétaire à l'Armée de l'Air américaine
7. Survol d'un avion biplan
8. Allocutions :
  - Madame l'Ambassadeur des Etats-Unis d'Amérique en France et à Monaco, Jane D. Hartley
  - Monsieur le secrétaire d'Etat aux anciens combattants et à la mémoire, Jean-Marc Todeschini
9. Dépôt d'une rose par les lycéens sur chacun des 68 sarcophages
10. Dépôts de gerbes de :
  - Monsieur le Président de la Fondation du Mémorial La Fayette, Alexander Blumrosen et Monsieur le Président de la Commission de l'ABMC, Merrill McPeak
  - Madame l'Ambassadeur des Etats-Unis d'Amérique, Jane D. Hartley et Brig. Gen. (USAF Ret.) Leon Johnson
  - Monsieur le secrétaire d'Etat, Jean-Marc Todeschini
11. Sonnerie Aux Morts française et américaine, salves d'honneurs, minute de silence
12. The Star Spangled Banner et La Marseillaise
13. Survol du site par un bombardier B-52 du 5th Bomb Wing et fin de la cérémonie
14. Cocktail servi dans le parc

Interprétations musicales : chœur de l'armée française et musiques de l'air et de l'US Air Force

## PROGRAM

### **Master of ceremony: Lieutenant-Colonel Eve Douglas**

#### **1. Arrival of official party and presentation of colors**

#### **2. National anthems**

#### **3. Review of the troops**

#### **4. Flyover**

- 3 Mirage 2000N from the 2/4 "La Fayette" Fighter Squadron, 1 Rafale from the 1/91 "Gascogne"
- 4 F-22 Raptor from the 94th and 95th Fighter Squadron - USAF

#### **5. Symbolic unveiling of the renovated Memorial**

#### **6. Invocation and remarks**

- Invocation by John Yellow Bird Steele, President of the Oglala Sioux Tribe
- Historic presentation of the Escadrille La Fayette by Lieutenant-Colonel Raphael Venot, 2/4 "La Fayette" Fighter Squadron Commander
- The United States engagement towards France, Lycée Jeannine Manuel
- Youth engagement, Lycée Notre-Dame Saint-Sigisbert
- Remarks by The Honorable Deborah Lee James, Secretary of the Air Force

#### **7. Biplane Flyover**

#### **8. Speeches**

- The Ambassador of the United States of America to France and Monaco, The Honorable Jane D. Hartley
- The Secretary of State for War Veterans, Mr. Jean-Marc Todeschini.

#### **9. Laying of roses by high school students on each of the 68 sarcophagi**

#### **10. Wreaths laying**

- The President of the La Fayette Escadrille Memorial, Mr Alexander Blumrosen and The Chairman of the ABMC, The Honorable Merrill McPeak
- The Ambassador of the United States of America to France and Monaco, The Honorable Jane D. Hartley and Brig. Gen. (USAF Ret.) Leon Johnson
- The Secretary of State for War Veterans and Remembrance, Mr. Jean-Marc Todeschini

#### **11. French and American Taps, 21 gun salute, moment of silence**

#### **12. The Star Spangled Banner and La Marseillaise**

#### **13. Flyover by a B-52 from the 5th Bomb Wing and closing of the ceremony**

#### **14. Ceremonial toast in the Memorial Park**

*Music : French Army choir and French and US Air Force bands.*

## L'ESCADRILLE LA FAYETTE

Juste après l'éclatement de la guerre entre la France et l'Allemagne en Août 1914, de nombreux Américains résidants en France lui sont venus en aide en rejoignant la Légion étrangère française ou en faisant du bénévolat en tant que conducteurs d'ambulance non combattants. D'autres ont rejoint le service Aéronautique de la France comme aviateurs de combat.

Fin 1914, deux jeunes pilotes américains, Norman Prince et William Thaw ont commencé à faire pression pour la création d'un escadron américain qui volerait au service de la France. Le 20 Avril 1916, leur demande a finalement été accordée et l'Escadrille Américaine a été formée. En raison de protestations diplomatiques allemandes (les États-Unis ayant déclaré leur neutralité à cette période), l'escadron a rapidement commencé à chercher un nouveau nom et finit par choisir Escadron La Fayette ou Escadrille La Fayette en l'honneur du marquis Gilbert du Motier de La Fayette.

L'Escadrille La Fayette américaine est devenue une unité active du Service de l'Air français le 20 Avril 1916, presque un an avant la déclaration de guerre des États-Unis le 6 Avril 1917. Les 38 pilotes américains et 5 officiers français de l'Escadrille La Fayette ont servi dans tous les secteurs du front, occidental. Pendant leurs 23 mois de service au combat, ils participent à au moins 3.000 patrouilles de combat, remportant environ 39 victoires confirmées et pas moins de 100 victoires non confirmées.

### LE MÉMORIAL

Le Mémorial de l'Escadrille La Fayette honore le service et le sacrifice des aviateurs américains volontaires de l'Escadrille La Fayette et du Corps d'aviation La Fayette. Il a été inauguré le 4 juillet 1928. Sur la façade du monument sont inscrits les noms des 68 aviateurs morts pendant la Première Guerre mondiale. Le souvenir de chacun de ces pilotes est commémoré par un cénotaphe dans la crypte souterraine. La crypte constitue la dernière demeure de 49 d'entre eux ainsi que deux de leurs commandants français, Georges Thonault et Antonin Bracard.

Le monument est composé d'un arc central qui mesure la moitié de l'Arc de Triomphe. Les arcs intérieurs sont ornés des insignes des 24 escadrons français avec lesquels le Corps d'aviation La Fayette a servi. Sur les parois intérieures des arcs sont inscrits les noms des pilotes commémorés ici. À côté de leurs noms sont gravées des représentations des décorations qu'ils ont reçues pour leur bravoure.

### L'INSIGNE L'ESCADRILLE LA FAYETTE

L'insigne original a été utilisé sur les avions Nieuport de l'escadron d'Octobre 1916 à Avril 1917, avant d'être redessiné par les pilotes de l'Escadrille La Fayette Harold Wille et Edward Hinckle pour les nouveaux avions SPAD de l'escadron. Les emblèmes ont été conçus pour être visibles de loin par d'autres pilotes comme des lances de rouge, blanc et bleu, même si l'image elle-même n'est pas clairement visible. La tête de Sioux symbolise la force, le courage et la combativité.

L'action conjuguée de l'ABMC, de la Fondation du Mémorial et du Ministère de la défense (DMPA) ont permis de mener à bien la rénovation du monument qui s'est effectuée de juin 2015 à mars 2016.

## THE LAFAYETTE ESCADRILLE

Almost immediately after war broke out between France and Germany in August of 1914, many Americans residing in France came to her aid by enlisting in the French Foreign Legion or volunteering as non-combatant ambulance drivers. Others joined France's Service Aéronautique as combat aviators.

In late 1914, two young American pilots, Norman Prince and William Thaw began to push for the creation of an all-American squadron that would fly in the service of France. On 20 April, 1916, their request was finally granted and the American Squadron or Escadrille Américaine was formed. Due to German diplomatic protests (The United States having declared her neutrality at the time), the squadron quickly began searching for a new name and would eventually choose Lafayette Squadron or Escadrille Lafayette in honor of the Marquis Gilbert du Motier de La Fayette.

The all-American Lafayette Escadrille became an active unit of the French Air Service on April 20, 1916, almost a year before the US declaration of war on April 6, 1917.

The 38 American pilots and 5 French officers of the Lafayette Escadrille saw service in every sector of the Western Front. In their 23 months of combat service, they flew in at least 3,000 combat patrols, scored approximately 39 confirmed victories and as many as 100 unconfirmed victories.

## THE MEMORIAL

The Lafayette Escadrille Memorial honors the service and sacrifice of the American volunteer pilots of the Lafayette Escadrille and the Lafayette Flying Corps. It was dedicated on July 4, 1928.

On the façade of the monument are the names of 68 pilots who died in World War I. Each of these pilots is commemorated by a memorial cenotaph in the sanctuary crypt. The crypt is the final resting place for 49 of those deceased, along with two of their French commanders, Georges Thenault and Antonin Brocard.

The Monument is composed of a central arch, half the height of the Arc de Triomphe. The arches are adorned with the insignia of 24 French squadrons with which the Lafayette Flying Corps served. On the walls inside the arches are inscribed the names of the pilots commemorated here. Alongside their names are engraved images of the decorations they received for their valor.

## THE LAFAYETTE ESCADRILLE SQUADRON INSIGNIA

The original insignia was used on the squadron's Nieuport planes from October 1916 to April 1917, before being redesigned by Lafayette Escadrille pilots Harold Willis and Edward Hinkle for the squadron's newer SPAD planes. The emblems were designed to be visible to other pilots as blotches of red, white, and blue from a distance, even if the image itself could not be clearly seen. The Sioux head symbolizes strength, courage and combativeness.

The shared efforts of the ABMC, the Lafayette Escadrille Foundation and the French Ministry of Defense (DMPA) allowed a major renovation project to take place between June 2015 and March 2016.

## PILOTES COMMÉMORÉS AU MÉMORIAL

Rank	Name	State	Death
Sgt	CHAPMAN, Victor	NY	23-Jun-1916
	DOWD, Dennis	NY	11-Aug-1916
Adjutant	ROCKWELL, Kifin Y	OH	29-Sep-1916
2nd Lt	PRINCE, Norman	MA	15-Oct-1916
Sgt	McCONNELL, James R	NC	19-Mar-1917
Sgt	GENET, Edmond C	NY	16-Apr-1917
Sgt	HOSKIER, Ronald W	NJ	23-Apr-1917
Sgt	BARCLAY, Leif N.	NY	1-Jun-1917
Corp	CHADWICK, Oliver	MA	14-Aug-1917
Corp	BIDDLE, Julian C.	PA	18-Aug-1917
Sold. 2d cl	GRIEB, Norman	NY	28-Aug-1917
Corp	MEEKER, William Henry	NY	11-Sep-1917
Sgt	MacMONAGLE, D	CA	24-Sep-1917
Sgt	CAMPBELL, AC Jr	IL	1-Oct-1917
Sold. 2d cl	HANFORD, Robert M	NY	15-Oct-1917
Sgt	PAVELKA, Paul	CT	11-Nov-1917
Corp	PALMER, Henry B	NY	12-Nov-1917
Corp	SKINNER, Samuel W	OH	12-Nov-1917
Pilot Av	FOWLER, Eric A.	NY	27-Nov-1917
Corp	TRINKARD, Charles	NY	29-Nov-1917
1st Lt	WALCOTT, B S	DC	12-Dec-1917
Sold. 2d cl	STARRETT, Frank Elmer	MA	3-Jan-1918
Corp	SPENCER, Dumaresq	IL	22-Jan-1918
Corp	BENNEY, Philip P	PA	26-Jan-1918
Sgt	TAILER, William Hallet	NY	5-Feb-1918
Sgt	LOUGHREN, Edward J	KS	18-Feb-1918
Corp	WINTER, Wallace C	IL	8-Mar-1918
Capt	COLLINS, Phelps	MI	12-Mar-1918
Corp	WOODWARD, Houston	PA	1-Apr-1918
Corp	LFE, Schuyler	CT	12-Apr-1918
2d Lt	ELY, Dinsmore	IL	21-Apr-1918
Corp	STONE, Donald E	NY	21-Apr-1918
1st Lt	CHAPMAN, CW Jr	IA	3-May-1918
1st Lt	BAYNE, James Alexander	MI	8-May-1918
Corp	DREW, Sidney Rankin Jr	NY	19-May-1918

## PILOTS MEMORIALIZED AT THE MEMORIAL

Rank	Name	State	Death
Maj	LUFBERY, G R	CT	19-May-1918
1st Lt.	JOHNSON, Harry F.	PA	21-May-1918
Sgt	OVINGTON, Carter L.	NY	29-May-1918
	ASH, Alan Newton	IL	31-May-1918
Sgt	PELTON, Alfred D.	Canada	31-May-1918
2d Lt	DAVIS, Philip Washburn	MA	2-Jun-1918
Sgt	NICHOLS, Alan H.	CA	2-Jun-1918
Sgt	BLUETHENTHAL, Arthur	DE	5-Jun-1918
Sgt	CHAMBERLAIN, Cyrus F.	MN	13-Jun-1918
Sgt.	BAYLIES, Frank L.	MA	17-Jun-1918
1st Lt.	HOBBS, Warren Tucker	MA	25-Jun-1918
Sgt	BAUGHAM, James H.	NC	2-Jul-1918
2d Lt	CLAPP, Roger Harvey	NY	6-Jul-1918
Sgt	TUCKER, Dudley G	NY	8-Jul-1918
Sgt	BOOTH, Veron Jr.	NY	10-Jul-1918
Corp	LEHR, Manderson	NY	15-Jul-1918
Sgt	TYSON, Stephen M.	NJ	19-Jul-1918
Corp	DOOLITTLE James R	NY	26-Jul-1918
2d Lt	MILLER, Walter B	NY	3-Aug-1918
Sgt	McKERNES, William	CT	15-Aug-1918
1st Lt.	EDGAR, Stuart Emmet	NJ	17-Aug-1918
Ens	TERRES, Hugh	England	17-Aug-1918
1st Lt.	GUNDELACH, Andre	IL	12-Sep-1918
1st Lt.	PUTNAM, D E	MA	13-Sep-1918
2nd Lt	COOKSON, Linn P	IL	17-Sep-1918
Sgt	RHENO, Walter D.	MA	18-Oct-1918
Corp	WILSON, Joseph V	WV	23-Oct-1918
2d Lt	DOWD, Meredith L.	NY	26-Oct-1918
Ens	TAYLOR, Elmer B	NJ	27-Oct-1918
2d Lt	De KRUUFF, Theodore	NY	6-Nov-1918
Sgt	PETERSON, David M.	PA	16-Mar-1919
Sgt	SCANLAN, Lawrence	NY	25-Nov-1920
Sous Lt	YORK, Walter R.	MA	6-Jan-1921
Lt Col	THENAUXT, George	France	1-Nov-1949
Gen	BROCARD,	France	1-May-1950

**American Battle Monuments Commission**

L'ABMC gère et entretient 25 cimetières américains permanents et 27 mémoriaux, monuments et plaques commémoratives érigés dans 16 pays étrangers, dans les territoires insulaires américains des îles Mariannes du Nord, et la dépendance britannique de Gibraltar alors que trois des mémoriaux sont situés aux USA. Ces cimetières et mémoriaux font partie des sanctuaires les plus beaux et les mieux entretenus au monde. En plus des lieux de sépulture, les cimetières de la Première et Seconde Guerre mondiale, et les trois mémoriaux sur le sol américain, commémorent aussi par leur nom les membres des forces armées américaines disparus au combat, perdus ou inhumés en mer lors de la Première Guerre mondiale, la Seconde Guerre Mondiale, la Guerre de Corée et la Guerre du Vietnam.

**The American Battle Monuments Commission**

ABMC administers, operates, and maintains 25 permanent American military cemeteries, and 27 federal memorials, monuments, and markers, which are located in 16 foreign countries, the U.S. Commonwealth of the Northern Mariana Islands, and the British dependency of Gibraltar; three of the memorials are located within the U.S. These cemeteries and memorials are among the most beautiful and meticulously maintained shrines in the world. In addition to grave sites, the World War I and II cemeteries, together with the three memorials on U.S. soil, also commemorate by name those U.S. service members who were missing in action, or lost or buried at sea during World War I, World War II, the Korean War, and the Vietnam War.

**Direction de la Mémoire, du Patrimoine et des Archives**

Relevant du secrétariat général pour l'administration (SGA) du ministère de la défense, la direction de la mémoire, du patrimoine et des archives (DMPA) a trois grands domaines de compétence : l'héritage et l'environnement, la politique culturelle, éducative et de mémoire, les archives et les bibliothèques. En matière de politique de mémoire, la DMPA a pour missions notamment d'accroître le rayonnement des commémorations nationales (médias, participation scolaire, caractère international, produits éditoriaux, soutien aux actions des associations ou fondations de mémoire), de développer une politique de tourisme de mémoire (valorisation du patrimoine, animation du réseau des musées et mémoriaux des conflits contemporains) et de renforcer l'action et les coopérations éducatives (partenariat interministériel Défense/Education Nationale/Enseignement agricole et soutien aux projets des établissements scolaires).

Reporting to the General Secretariat for Administration (SGA) of the Ministry of Defense, the Department for Remembrance, Heritage and Archives (DMPA) has three main areas of expertise: real estate and environmental matters, cultural, educational and heritage policy, archives and libraries. Concerning remembrance, DMPA's missions include increasing the outreach of national commemorations (media, school participation, international, editorial practices, support the actions of remembrance associations or foundations), to develop a remembrance tourism policy (development of heritage, network of museums and memorials dedicated to contemporary conflicts) and to strengthen action and educational cooperation (interdepartmental partnership Defense / National Education / agricultural support and education projects in schools).

**Fondation du Mémorial de l'Escadrille La Fayette**

La Fondation gère le Mémorial et la crypte situés dans le Parc de Saint-Cloud, près de Paris, où sont enterrés les pilotes de l'Escadrille La Fayette et du Lafayette Flying Corps, morts pendant la Première Guerre mondiale. La Fondation a été créée par William Nelson Crommelin en 1932 et possède 5 ha de parc sur lequel le Mémorial est construit, donation de l'Etat français. La Fondation est dirigée par un conseil d'administration de 15 membres, composé d'autorités civiles et militaires, des gouvernements français et américains.

**The Lafayette Escadrille Memorial Foundation**

The Foundation operates the Memorial and crypt located in the Parc de Saint-Cloud, just outside of Paris, where the pilots of the Lafayette Escadrille and the Lafayette Flying Corps, who died during World War I are buried. The Foundation was created by William Nelson Crommelin in 1932 and owns the 5 ha of park land on which the Memorial is built, which was a gift from the French State. The Foundation is governed by a 15 member Board of Directors, which includes high civil and military authorities of the French and US governments.

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Photo (C)RMN-Grand Palais / Franco-American Museum-Château de Blérancourt / Gérard Blot



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-*Youth of France and the United States*

-Alan Seeger

***“Time will not tarnish the glory of their exploits.”***

***“Time will not dim the glory of their deeds”***

***General of the Armies / John Joseph Pershing***

#### **-Conclusion**

During the last war and under the German occupation, a small number of people living around the Monument regularly met on Sunday afternoons to pray fervently in the crypt. Their request, then secret, as could not have been otherwise at that time, was for the return of the "Sammies" with the aim of liberating France. Perhaps the fervor of the time received a favorable response "in very high places," and through these prayers, we perhaps owe them in part the Allied landing and the liberation of the country!

Nowadays, we hope that we will not have to repeat such requests in the future...

By now, you've probably got the "Keys to the Monument" in mind. With this three-volume Open Sesame, you can follow, or so we think, all the stages of the Memorial's genesis. This has been written to the best of our knowledge, from the Idea as it originally germinated in the minds of the builders. This story unfolds continuously through the chapters, starting with the founders of the Monument. Then we witness the birth of the Monument, then its inauguration, and continuing to the Great Renovation at the beginning of the 21st century. After 2013, another era opened with the takeover of the Memorial by the ABMC - American Battle Monument Commission; from now on, this American organization perpetuates the maintenance of the site. The Foundation, for its part, continues to carry on its memory through various actions.

Colonel Thenault dreamed of seeing an accessible museum on the site, then granted by the government, but his wishful thinking would not come true during his lifetime. Toward the end of his life, he gathered a few objects from the heroic period of our American pilots. He wanted to show them to visitors, they were temporarily stored at the Monument, but, regrettably, dispersed after his death in 1948; some of them went to join the collections of the Franco-American Museum in Blérancourt.

To some extent, the current "Visitors' Centre" (see Chap. 15) now fulfils this mission in a different but no less interesting way.

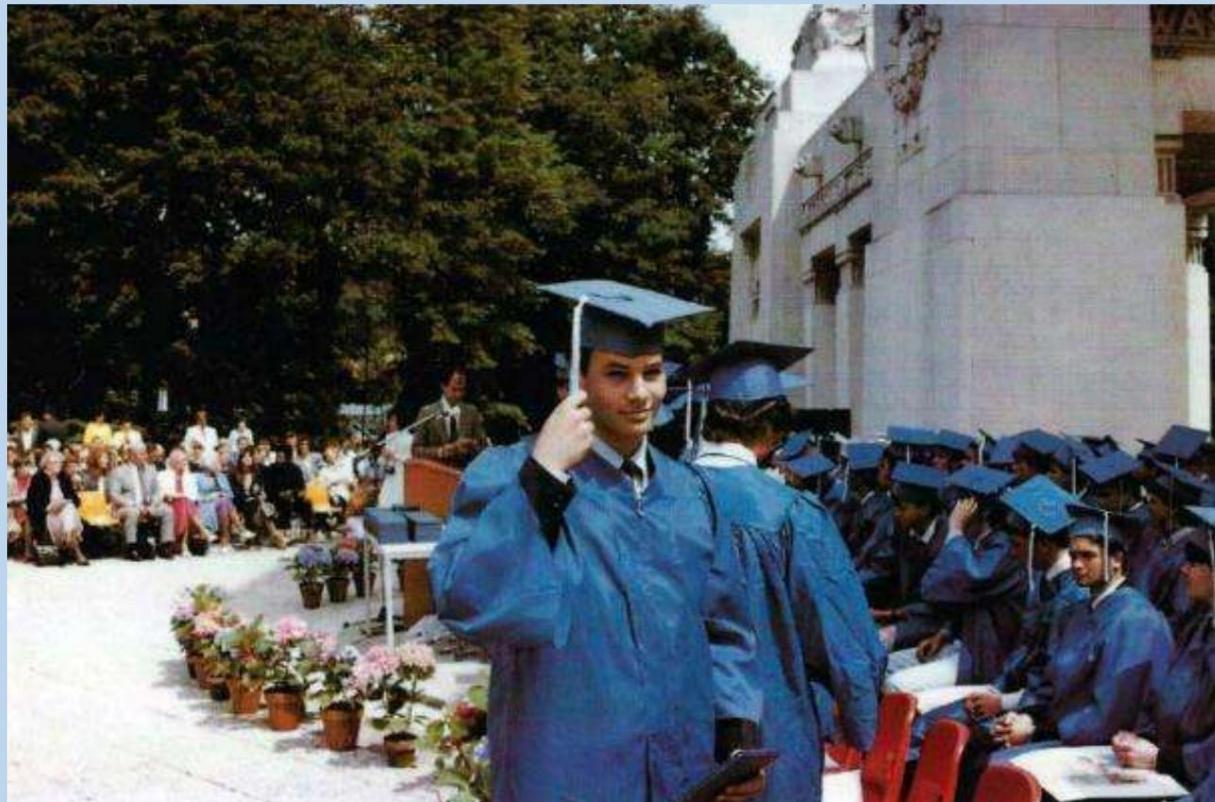
The works cited in the documentation, in the following chapter and with our preferences displayed, will help you to better understand the history of the squadron mentioned here too briefly, our goal being only to try to explain to you the history and the meaning of this Monument. Many historians have already retraced this aerial epic with great talent and you will be spoiled for choice if you want to delve deeper into this exhilarating subject.

### **-Youth of France and the United States**

According to the Foundation's Statutes, both the original ones from 1931 and those revised in 2008, the Foundation must teach young people:

- c) D'enseigner à la jeunesse de France et d'Amérique, l'histoire de leur Pays respectif par des conférences, des publications et tous autres moyens propres à atteindre ce but et d'encourager les relations Franco-Américaines.**

**American School of Paris Prize Distribution at the Monument**



Here is an article from the newspaper "Le Matin" whose facsimile was adapted by a class of 14-15 year old adolescents from the Lycée Michelet in Vanves.

## **Marnes-la-Coquette ?**

Un Américain, Edgard Guerard Hamilton, aimerait également honorer certains de ses compatriotes, engagés volontaires dans l'armée française un an avant l'entrée en guerre des USA: 68 pilotes morts en mission, sur les 180 envoyés au front du Lafayette Flying Corps – une escadrille qui avait choisi le nom de notre célèbre général de la guerre d'indépendance !

Il pense créer une association et solliciter la petite commune de Marnes-la-Coquette. Peut-être le monument sera-t-il en béton, un des matériaux les moins chers. On dit qu'il serait composé d'une arche centrale et de deux ailes soutenues par des colonnes à la manière des temples romains.



## VISITE DU PRESIDENT DE LA REPUBLIQUE AU LYCEE MICHELET DE VANVES

Hier matin, le Président Millerand rendait visite à son ancien lycée à Vanves. Il s'est renseigné devant la plaque: « Cet établissement honore à ses anciens camarades et professeurs morts pour la France. »

Cent quatre-vingt-seize noms sont gravés en lettres d'or sur trois grands blocs de marbre, fixés dans le vestibule du pavillon. Mousset. Ce monument, inauguré l'an dernier, a été réalisé par un ancien élève de l'établissement, connu de tous les Parisiens. Qui ne connaît Héctor Guimard, l'architecte auquel nous devons les étranges entrées du métropolitain?

### UN HOMME EN ETAT D'ARRESTATION JURE NAVOIR QU'IL FAUT AUX CORSES

Inculpé pour une tentative d'assassinat, Bertrand Dupuy, que deux autres compétences qu'il n'est pas compétent.

Le matin, il présentait son passeport à la marine. Monsieur Le Génie, le juge pour le commandant à son arrivée, a été arrêté. Monsieur Le Génie, après avoir attendu plus de deux semaines, pressé dans le cas où il se rendrait aux autorités de Quimper. Pourquoi s'est rendu? Monsieur Le Génie sait-il dominer tout ce qu'il sait?

Le Président a souvent exprimé ses réserves sur l'art nouveau revendiqué par Monsieur Guimard.

Néanmoins, il a été cette fois agréablement surpris par la sobriété de cette « œuvre d'art ». Il a admiré la finesse du travail, les courbes élégantes des files dorées qui encadrent la base lisse. Il a remercié l'Association des anciens élèves dont l'un des fondateurs, pour avoir offert une telle œuvre. Il a évoqué avec nostalgie ses promenades nocturnes de l'empereur au lycée Michelet, aux côtés d'André Rimbaud, actuel lui aussi de nos plus brillants volontaires.

Après la visite de 1870, il avait à créer, a-t-il dit, de s'entraîner aux futures manœuvres de la Revanche.

Il a contemplé un instant la peinture murale réalisée, il y a une dizaine d'années, par Pierre Maubier.



## La sécheresse continue de sévir...

Alors que nous l'avions évitée hier, la sécheresse a été dans toute la France.

Elle fait gravement à l'agriculture.

Quelques précisions nous parviennent tout du ministère de l'Agriculture que des malades agricoles.

La région qui semble le plus touchée est la Loire.

Depuis le 5 juin, il nous est arrivé de Tours qu'il n'y a pas eu de pluie.

On sait également que, le deuxième mois de sécheresse à Nogent-le-Rotrou.

Les pluies sont rares, telles que la bouteille ou la pomme de terre, sont rendues dans leur sécheresse, ainsi que dans leur déclin.

De ce fait, les récoltes de la culture méridionale ont subi une grande hausse de prix.

Elle représente les jardins de Lyon, les retrouvailles dominicales entre les jeunes mariés et leurs familles, devant la statue d'un jeune soldat de 1870. Celle-ci va bien regarder dans la direction du monument aux morts, fixé sous le dessous de la table. Que d'amusants perdus sans doute, pour le Président!

Avant de rejoindre l'lys, le Président a tenu à rappeler combien il était ému de rendre hommage aux victimes de la guerre et de souligner ainsi que les sacrifices n'étaient pas vains. Grâce à eux, c'est un avenir de paix qui s'ouvre aujourd'hui, un avenir auquel l'architecte Héctor Guimard continue comme président du comité Patria. « Une paix durable pour un avenir durable ! »

### Fumer en public? Pas pour les femmes!

Depuis le 21 juillet, un arrêté de la loi polémique à New-York. Les Américaines ne pourront désormais à la plage ou dans les bars, fumer en public, pas plus que dans leur maison.

Tout fumeur supposé à fumer en public se vendra obligé d'apporter une amende de 25 dollars, ou 50 si ce n'est pas la première fois.

Est-ce là un des arguments pour les détracteurs?

## COMMENT REMERCIER NOS VALEUREUX AMERICAINS ?

Parmi tous ces soldats qui ont courageusement risqué leurs vies, plusieurs sont venus de loin, de l'Amérique.

Deux localités de la région parisienne ont décidé d'honorer les Américains qui sont, outre à Paris, à Paris. C'est à Suresnes un cimetière français pour la connaissance : à Marne-la-Campagne, peut-être, un peu plus au nord.

### Suresnes

Il y a peu plus de deux ans, le président des États-Unis, Thomas Woodrow Wilson, inaugura un vaste cimetière à Suresnes, sur le mont Valérien.

En 1917, cette ville avait généralement répondu à l'appel au sacrifice en grâce d'un vaste espace pour ses soldats morts dans les batailles grecques, suite à leurs batailles.

Pour permettre aux familles de se rendre, on envisage la construction d'une chapelle.

La nécessité avait été gracieusement concédée par le peuple français; plus de trois heures, des heures à perdre de temps, qui donne une sensation de vertige, une sensation intense comme si le temps s'était arrêté. Dans ce ciel si calme, il y a 154 soldats américains défunts, après avoir courageusement défendu notre Patrie, certains victimes de la guerre espagnole. Des ossements défunts, au fond l'attention. Il s'agit de tombes jumelles qui se tiennent au sol sur les tombes des victimes de la guerre sont très à côté. Deux amitiés au moins, une grande amitié et une grande amitié, sont aussi y être enterrées: elles sont mal embourbées, servies notre belle patrie mais elles n'ont pas eu la force de survivre à toutes les horreurs qu'elles avaient vues.

Pour permettre aux familles de se rendre, on envisage la construction d'une chapelle.



### Marne-la-Campagne ?

L'édifice comprend-il aussi des bas-reliefs dans le même style? Qui sont inscrits les noms?

Les plans de l'architecte ne sont pas pour l'instant arrêtés mais il est probable que l'on retrouve un motif rappelant une tête de sioux, l'insigne de l'escadrille, mais qu'une dévotion. Ensuite, l'importance du projet, il faudra sans doute attendre quatre ou cinq ans pour voir aboutir ce beau projet.

Des édifices de cette ampleur nécessitent des investissements, notamment les dans de nombreuses familles.

Vous pouvez vous aussi contribuer à la construction de ce monument à votre nom.

Gloire à ces hommes qui resteront dans nos cœurs ! Gloire à tous les défenseurs de la France !

American school children and Scout Girls during the November 11 ceremonies.



Histoire & Futur

Une **génération** qui ignore l'histoire n'a pas de passé - ni de futur.



Citation de célébrité

**Robert A. Heinlein**

Artiste, écrivain (1907 - 1988)

From Midshipman Heinlein's "Famous Quotations" in "Le Parisien Libéré" in 1929, Heinlein was featured in the U.S. Naval Academy yearbook.



**May the breath of the Indian be with you!**

**-Alan Seeger**

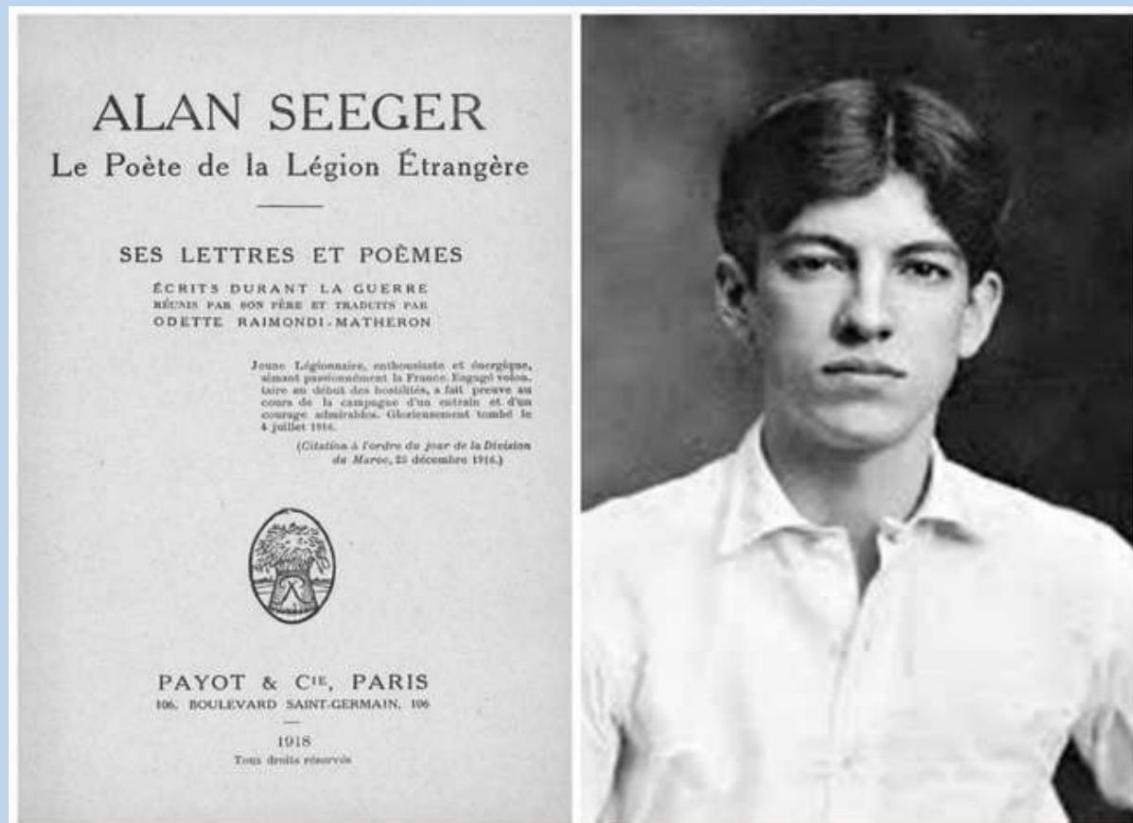
And now that the Monument no longer holds any secrets for you, we would like, before definitively closing this book, to present to you an extraordinary and moving work. A work produced by a great American poet (See Chap. 03).

He marched with the Star Spangled Banner, leading the American volunteers fresh from Myron Timothy Herrick's office (see Vol. 1/08). He marched with future pilot Dennis Dowd.



On August 24, he joined the Foreign Legion, in the 2nd Infantry Regiment, to learn the ropes in Toulouse, where he met other pilots such as Kiffin Rockwell and Charles Trinkard.

Died for France during the Battle of the Somme, July 4, 1916 in Belloy-en-Santerre (on his country's national holiday)



You can read his war stories, his notebooks and also his verses relating to the Great War: <https://gallica.bnf.fr/ark:/12148/bpt6k884519z>



National Library of France

From Alan Seeger: "I Have a Date with Death"

His most famous poem, universally recognized and in its entirety

(President John F Kennedy's favorite poem and also quoted by President Emmanuel Macron in a speech to the United States Congress in April 2018)

(Prose translation by Odette Raimondi-Matheron)

## J'AI UN RENDEZ-VOUS AVEC LA MORT...

J'ai un rendez-vous avec la Mort, à quelque barricade disputée, quand le Printemps reviendra avec son ombre bruissante et que les fleurs de pommier voltigeront dans l'air ! J'ai un rendez-vous avec la Mort quand le Printemps ramènera les beaux jours azurés !

Il se peut qu'elle prenne ma main et me conduise vers son ténébreux domaine, qu'elle close mes yeux et arrête mon souffle... il se peut que je passe encore auprès d'elle. J'ai un rendez-vous avec la Mort sur le versant déchiqueté de quelque colline délabrée, quand le Printemps reviendra faire son tour cette année et qu'apparaîtront les premières fleurs des prés !

Dieu sait qu'il serait meilleur d'être étendu au creux des coussins, dans la soie et le duvet parfumé, où l'amour palpite en un bienheureux sommeil, pouls contre pouls, souffle contre souffle, où les réveils silencieux sont chers... Mais j'ai un rendez-vous avec la Mort, à minuit, dans quelque ville en flammes, quand le Printemps repartira vers le Nord, cette année, et je suis fidèle à la parole donnée : je ne manquerai pas à ce rendez-vous !

## The Keys to the Lafayette Squadron Memorial

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- Brochures Published by or for the Foundation (Out of Print)
- Spelling of the word Memorial
- Spelling of the name Lafayette (or La Fayette)

#### **Recommendations**

Few people will have the opportunity to read all the works in the documentation, but in this case, allow us to recommend the following three works - two books and a film - whose exact references you will find in the list below:

#### **GET ME BACK IN THE AIR -French-**

#### **US and French pilots in the service of France**

Patrick LECOINTE

**Note:** Magnificent book - in French as its name does not indicate -; overstuffed work of precise and flawless documentation - a "must" not to be missed-

#### **LAFAYETTE ESCADRILLE (The) -English-A Photo**

History of the First American Fighter Squadron Steven A. Ruffin

#### **Casemate Publisher (UK & USA)**

**Note:** A documentation of the battle sites with a completely new back and forth between the sites of the past and those of the present and a detailed narrative with original anecdotes. (2007) January 30, 2007 on  
DVD (2h 19min)

## **FLYBOYS**

By Tony Bill

With James Franco, Jean Reno, Jennifer Decker

## **Filmography**

(1957) 88 minutes (English-French)

### **LAFAYETTE SQUADRON**

From Tab Hunter with Clint Eastwood / Warner Bros

(1995) 11 Minutes (English-French)

### **THE LAFAYETTE SQUADRON**

From **Mrs. Johanne BURKE**

Blue Lions Film

(1996) 10 minutes (English-French)

### **WAR HEROES (The great adventures of the 20th century)**

### **THE LAFAYETTE SQUADRON**

BBC

(1999) 52Mn (English-French)

### **WINGS OF THE EARLY HOUR (THE°**

### **Flying for France**

FR3 Dijon & Modom Productions

(2007) 40mn (English-French)

### **MEMORIAL DAY CEREMONY 2007**

### **American Memorial Day in France**

Modom Production Paris

#### **Highly recommended:**

(2007) January 30, 2007 on DVD (2h 19min)

## **FLYBOYS**

By Tony Bill

With James Franco, Jean Reno, Jennifer Decker

(2009) **10 mins**

### **LAFAYETTE ESCADRILLE MEMORIAL**

American First Aviators

Greene, Matt LtCol USAF USAFE

(2010) **LAFAYETTE ESCADRILLE (The)**

**Flying and Fighting for France April 1916-December, 1917**

Vaillant 38 Productions

MISSOULA, MT 59806

## Audiography

(1996) 3 hours (English)

**LAFAYETTE ESCADRILLE and THE BATTLE OF BELLEAU WOOD**

Two cassettes Voices from the Front WWI Volume1

Buckingham, Beacon Hardy

## Books in French

1 volume of 381 pages

**ANTONIN BROCARD**

Pierre BROCARD

Atout Livres Bourges Editions (2008)

ISBN: 978-2-918-023-00-5

1 volume 183 pages

**Aces of the Lafayette Squadron (The)**

Jean Gisclon

Green Library / Hachette (1976)

ISBN-978-2-01-003223-3 (Abridged version)

1 volume of 402 pages

**HUNTERS IN THE “LA FAYETTE” GROUP 1916-1945**

**Colonel Jean Gisclon**

New Latin Editions Paris (1994)

1 volume of 317 pages

**TWO GREAT KNIGHTS OF ADVENTURE:**

**MARC POURPE / RAOUL LUFBERY**

Jacques Mortane

Baudinière Editions Paris (1937)

1 volume of 123 pages

**LAFAYETTE ESCADRO (THE)** (April 1916-January 1918)

Preface by General Gouraud

Lieutenant-Colonel Georges THENAULT

Hachette (1939)

1 volume of 319 pages

**LA FAYETTE FIGHTER SQUADRON**

Alain Vezin

From the Nieuport to the Mirage 2000N

ETAI in Antony (92160)

ISBN: 978-2-7268-9636-S (2012)

1 Volume of 54 pages in Comic Book (recommended for children)

**FLIGHT OF THE ANGELS (THE) - Volume 4**

Lewis Wallace

Drawing: Rivera

Colors: Riccardi, Vincenzo

Zephir Edition (2013)

ISBN: 978-2-361-18100-0

**Highly recommended: 1 volume**

of 150 pages

First World War

**GET ME BACK IN THE AIR**

**US and French pilots in the service of France**

Patrick LECOINTE

Editions of the Mortagne Ponds Park (2013)

**To be noted for historians or enlightened amateurs**

**a bilingual book: A gem for connoisseurs**

1 volume of 379 pages

**THE INSIGNIA OF FRENCH AERONAUTICS**

**FRENCH MILITARY AERONAUTICAL BADGES UP TO 1911**

Philippe Bartlett (Preface by Pierre Clostermann)

Indo Editions - Sponsored by the Aero Club of France -

ISBN 2-914 086-024-4 / Printer: 12855

## Books in English

1 Volume of 299 pages

### **BLACK SWALLOW OF DEATH (The)**

**The incredible story of Eugene Bullard**

**The world's first Black Combat Aviator**

**PJ CARISELLA and James W. RYAN**

1972 / 230 Marlborough House Inc. Boston (Mass 02116)

1 Volume 217 pages

### **EUGENE BULLARD**

Black Expatriate in Jazz-Age Paris [English]

University of Georgia Press

Athens & London (2006)

1 Volume & Digital Edition of 65 pages

### **FIRST TO FLY**

### **The Story of the Lafayette Escadrille, the American Heroes Who Flew For France in World War I**

**Charles Bracelen Flood**

Atlantic Monthly Press / Publishers Group Press

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**James Norman Hall**

**Boston and New York / Houghton Company / The Riverside Press Cambridge (1918)**

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**Edward C. Parsons**

CreateSpace Independent Publishing Platform (February 2, 2016)

ISBN-13: 978-1523826629

1 volume 182 pages

**LAFAYETTE ESCADRILLE (The)**

By Clayton and KS Knight Historical Consultant Colonel Charles Dolan Grosset and Dunlap Publishers New York (1961)

**Highly recommended:**

1 Volume 194 pages

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**A Photo History of the First American Fighter Squadron Steven A. Ruffin**

**Casemate Publisher (UK & USA)**

ISBN: 978-1-61200-350-4

1 Volume 352 pages

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**Men at War**

**Herbert Molooey MASON, Jr.**

Konecky & Konecky (1964)

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**FLYING FOR FRANCE**

**With the American Escadrille at Verdun James**

**R. Mc Connell**

Sergeant Pilot in the French Flying Corps Garden

City NY Doubleday,

Page & Company (1917)

Reprinted 9781163214787 / the Country Life Press/ 382889L V00006B/413P

1 volume 146 pages

**LETTERS**

Private circulation e-book edition

**Charles Wesley Chapman**

Waterloo, IOWA (1919)

1 volume 296 pages

**LETTERS HOME from The Lafayette Flying Corps Edited by**

**Nancy Nichols** JD HUFF and

Company San Francisco (1993)

ISBN: 0-9630274-0-9

1 Volume 172 pages with illustrations

**STORY OF THE LAFAYETTE ESCADRILLE (The)**

**Captain Georges THENAULT**

Preface by André Tardieu

Small, Maynard & Company Publishers (1921)

The Battery Press, Nashville (1990)

1 Volume 504 pages

**LAFAYETTE FLYING CORPS**

**The American Volunteers**

**In the French Service in World War One**

**Dennis Gordon**

Schiffer Military History (2000)

1 digital book edition 68 pages

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**Roger G. MILLER The**

**Lafayette Escadrille and the advent of American  
Pursuit in World War1**

Air Force History Museums Programs 60th

Anniversary USAF (2007)

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**Dennis Gordon**

The Doughboy Historical Society (1991)

1 Volume 664 pages

**VALIANT VOLUNTEERS**

A Novel

**Terry L. Johnson**

AuthorHouse (2005)

ISBN: 1-4208-5587-5

1 volume 249 pages

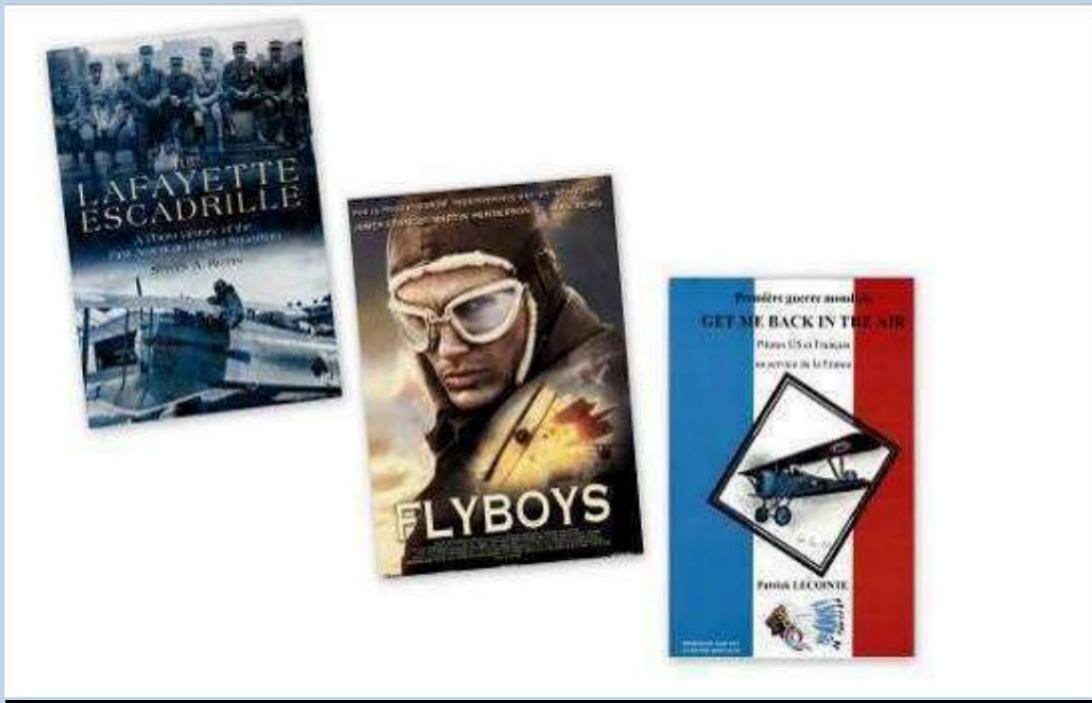
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**Philip M. FLAMMER The**

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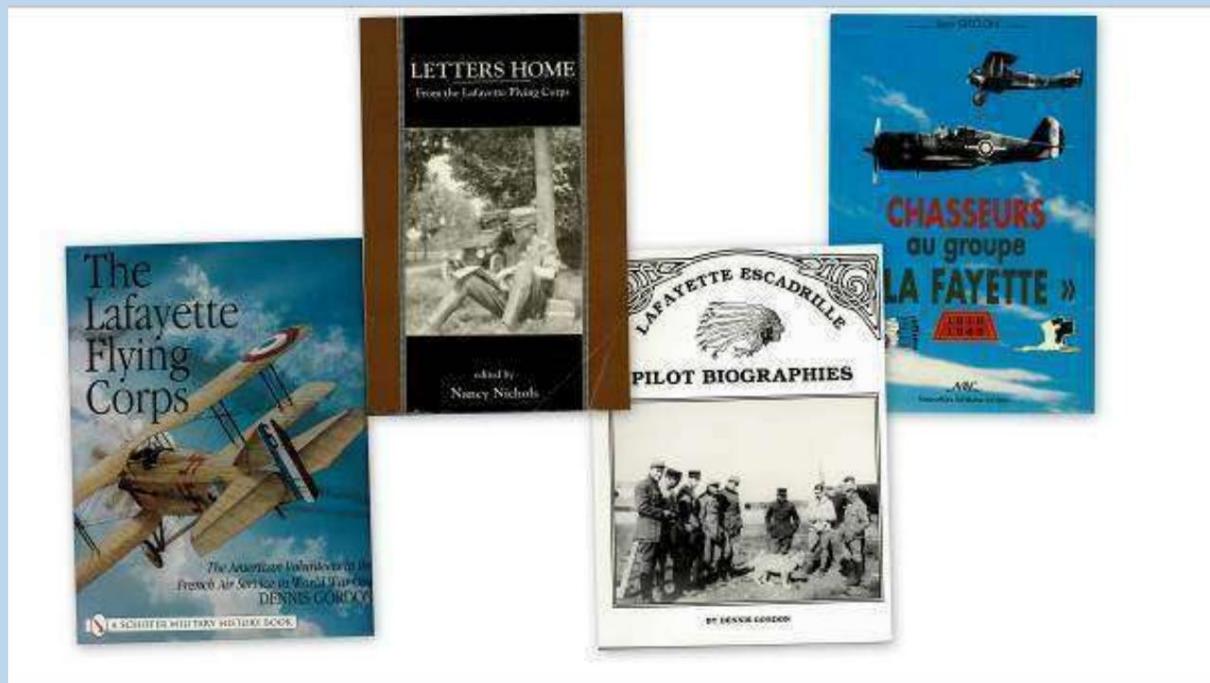
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**We thank all the authors cited above.**

**We consulted them all to refer to the history of the  
Lafayette Escadrille.**

## -Spelling of the word Memorial

At one point, he found himself in the Foundation's secretariat, in reserve, with a large number of letterheads under two different headings, one with an accent on the word Memorial, and the other without an accent. An investigation informed me that for a long time, people wanted to use the old spelling which attributed an accent to the literary work and the absence of accentuation for the work of stone, this to differentiate one from the other. The unaccented mode was used for a long time by the Foundation but it must be admitted that nowadays spell checkers have made the law by adopting the accent, which seems to definitively kill the unaccented mode. We comply with the new spelling in this digital version, thus passing under the yoke of computing; but not without a pang of regret. It is amusing to see the Larousse article used as an example for our Monument.

### Larousse Universal (1950)

**mémoratif, ive** adj. (du lat. *memorare*, rem- en mémoire). Qui conserve la mémoire : *faculté mémorative*. Qui se souvient. (Peu us.)

**mémorer** [ré] v. t. (lat. *memorare*). Rappel *mémorer un fait*.

**mémorial** n. m. (bas lat. *memoriale*). Mém servant à l'instruction d'une affaire diplomatique. Livre-journal d'un commerçant, d'un banquier. Ouvrage dans lequel sont consignés certains faits mémorables (en ce sens, prend une majuscule) : *le Mémorial Sainte-Hélène. Théol.* Ce qui sert à consacrer la gloire de Dieu ou de ses actes.

**Mémorial de Sainte-Hélène**, par Las Cases ; c'est le journal des entretiens de Napoléon Ier avec son secrétaire durant les dix-huit mois que celui-ci passa auprès de lui. Las Cases est un admirateur enthousiaste mais de nombreux témoignages ont attesté l'exactitude de ses souvenirs qui sont d'une lecture fort attachante (1823).

**mémorial** n. m. (m. angl.). Monument commémoratif : *le mémorial de La Fayette*.

**mémorialiste** [list'] n. m. Auteur de Mémoires historiques.

## Spelling of the name Lafayette (or La Fayette)

After the American Revolutionary War and during the French Revolution, the Marquis Gilbert du Motier de La Fayette, decided on his own, from 1789, to abandon his noble spelling composed of two words and to sign henceforth with a simple proper name "Lafayette". This spelling would be used by his contemporaries until his death - see photo of his tomb below -. This new spelling would be immediately adopted in the United States, where many cities are now named in his honor. However, only in France, with the help of the Restoration, did the pre-revolutionary custom of writing "La Fayette" as two different words continue.

This historical ambiguity can even be found in the latest statutes of the Lafayette Escadrille Memorial Foundation, dating from 2008. The name Lafayette is either Lafayette in one word or Lafayette in two words, depending on the page. The letterhead of the French Foundation is spelled in two words in French.

At the Memorial under his effigy, the engraver writes it clearly in two words.

Lafayette's tomb at Picpus, Paris



**Inauguration & Restoration Epilogue-****Documentation-Acknowledgments****- Acknowledgments**

-Sources and Authorizations concerning the three volumes called "The Keys"

-To My Dear Co-authors

**Sources**

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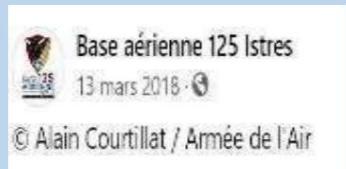
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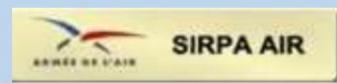
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His granddaughter Janet and his great-grandson Gregory

For family documentation and their verbal contributions



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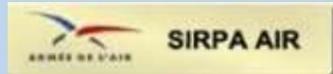


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**JC Lemaire**

## **DESHAYES (Roger)**

An audiovisual producer representing the American company Viacom in France, which owns Paramount, among others. He discovered the monument at the request of the latter, which was planning to produce a mini-series celebrating the Lafayette Squadron. This project came to nothing due to the lack of interest from a French television channel. Fascinated by this historical anecdote which influenced the entry of the United States into the war, Roger Deshayes created in 2002 a website with his friend Madenian "lafayettepilotsmemorial.com" which he maintained while waiting for Jean-Claude Lemaire's site to take over, which is done today at the following addresses:

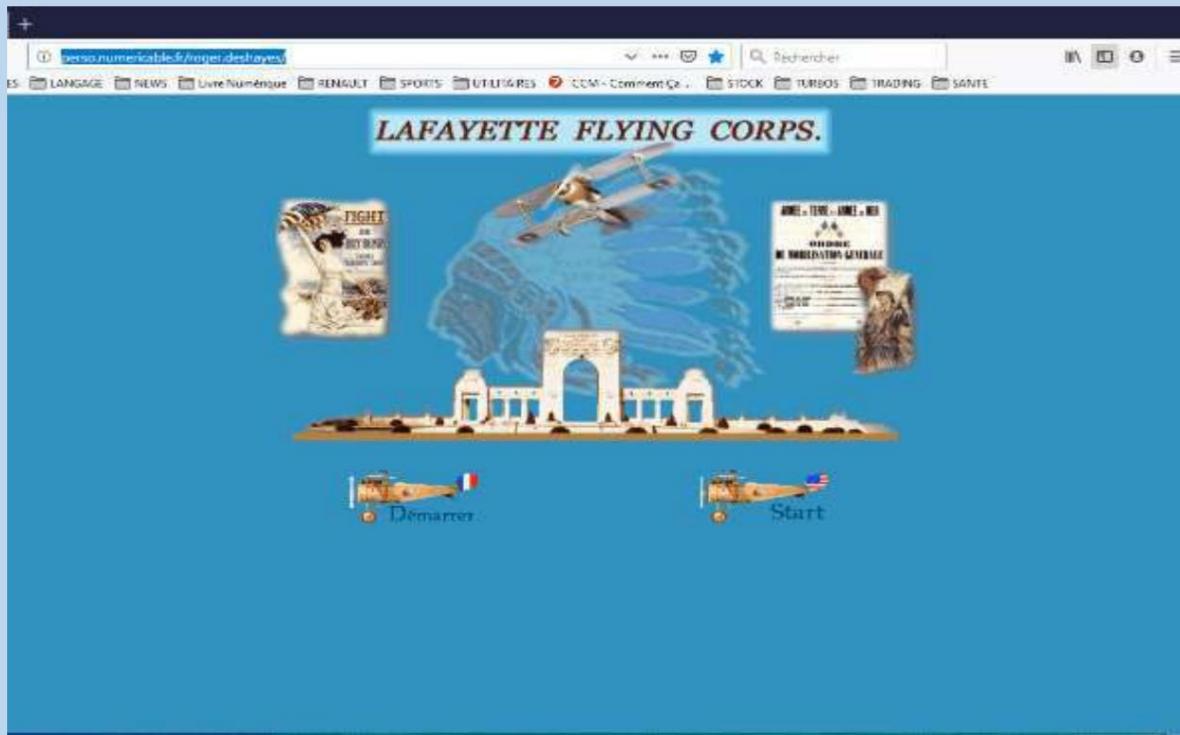
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We know what we owe to our friend for this book & for  
many other things



Roger Deshayes receiving the "Bronze Medal of the Memorial" from the hands  
of the former Secretary General of the Foundation (Print now sold out).

## **JOHNSON (Eugene)**



**At the Monument on November 11, 2010**

A tireless researcher of the history of the two world wars. His father, serving in the American army, in the 14th Cavalry Corps, distinguished himself in the Belgian Ardennes, mainly by fighting with his comrades in arms against the all-too-famous La 1

SS Panzer Division "SS Leibstandarte" SS Adolf Hitler. This division murdered American prisoners of war at the Baugnez crossroads, located a few kilometers south of the town of Malmedy in Belgium.

Immersed in his childhood in the feats of arms of the soldiers who landed to save us, he expanded his knowledge of the First World War when he discovered the Memorial following a visit to the Monument in 2001. He was a donor for the major renovation before and after the work.

Passionate about history and filled with a wealth of knowledge, he undertook essential research in the United States and even some steps in France to prepare this digital book. Without Gene's efforts, this book would lack important information and details.



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