

FLYER PECK TELLS OF RECORD TRIP IN THUNDER STORMS

Thrilling Story of Four-Hour Battle With Gale and Lightning.

OFTEN LOST TO SIGHT.

"Flying Cupid" Could Not See Nassau Field Till Signal Fires Were Lit.

Driving his little Columbia biplane in the teeth of a forty-mile gale, in darkness, through thunder clouds, lightning flashes and pouring rain in the storm which swept over New York last evening, Paul W. Peck, the twenty-one-year-old "Flying Cupid," finished the last half hour of his 4 hours 23 minutes and 23 seconds flight at Nassau Boulevard, breaking the American endurance record.

Never since the first heavier-than-air machine flew has such a spectacular flight of superb daring and wonderful control been witnessed. At times the little aviator was lost from the view of anxious watchers 3,000 feet below while he battled between two thunder storms and revealed now and again by vivid lightning playing around him. It was so dark that he could not see his ankles, and he made in a spiral which dropped him 700 feet on every turn. OBSCURE A THRILLING SPECTACLE FOR CROWD.

Just before he descended Peck came into view for the first time in ten minutes standing almost motionless in the gale directly over his hangar near the railroad tracks. Women who had run round that Peck was lost in the sky, shrieked as the machine dipped toward the earth and rushed at the line of watching gazers.

As coolly and perfectly as a feather the little biplane skimmed the dark ground and slowed to a stop. Peck stepped out and after several women had hugged him, much to his embarrassment, helped to stow the machine in his hangar. He was a trifle excited, but more anxious to know by just how much he had beaten the record.

How he broke the American record for sustained flight was described by young Peck today for The Evening World. Here is his account of it:

"Since the mail-carrying flight fell through I had been waiting for a favorable day to fly to Washington. I made an announcement because I wouldn't guarantee to stay in the air ten seconds or to go anywhere in a single flight. The game of flying is too uncertain. For days I had been waiting for a decent wind. Yesterday was the best day I could stay at sea, an although the wind was twenty-five miles an hour at 1 o'clock, after waiting all day for it to calm, it decided to try for the endurance record, more in the way of having done something worth while around New York than anything else. We figured out that it would take me until 10 to beat the record made by Howard Gill last year, when he stayed up 4 hours 15 minutes and 25 seconds.

STARTED WELL PREPARED TO BEAT RECORD. "It was arranged to light fires for me when I had stayed up longer than the record. With my motor working beautifully and twenty-five gallons of gasoline and seven of castor oil for the rotary 'gyro' aboard I rose from Nassau Boulevard at 1.30. For the first few minutes I called around the field in a twenty-five-mile wind that was in-

Young Aviator Who Set a New Record In Sustained Flight Despite Squall



creasing. Then I started for Mineola and made my course between there and Belmont Park, back and forth continuously. As the wind grew I was making a hundred miles an hour in the direction of Mineola and about thirty on the return.

"After I was up three and a half hours I saw the storm coming. I could see it long before those on the ground, because I was up 4,000 feet part of the time. Half an hour later found me over the aviation field at Mineola, working sideways on the wind to get back to Nassau Boulevard. Over the boulevard I made two spirals, dropping 1,000 feet. Everything was all right, but it was growing dark and I could barely see my instruments. I was still thirty minutes behind Gill's record and I determined to chance it through the remaining time.

"I know the biplane could not have been moving more than a few miles an hour as I faced the wind and tried to guess the machine's course. Luckily, it was driving steadily or I surely would have been exhausted. I wondered if they never would light the fire to show me how far I was up and what chance I had of getting down. Once a lightning stroke came very close, and the heavy rain had soaked me through. The machine, too, was getting heavy with the water.

SAW THE CROWDS ONLY BY LIGHTNING FLASH. "Suddenly I saw a flame below me leaping in a straight line. Then I knew I had beaten the record and was glad I shouted. There was no chance to do more than raise the tail of the aeroplane in order to drop slowly like an elevator, with the wind holding me from making headway. Over the hangars and the railroad station I could see men and women running on the field every time there was a lightning flash. When the gasoline was burning in a line, making a right angle along the corner of the field, I tried a turn. The machine shot sideways off the course, but there was no chance to give me a chance to volplane into the air. I landed after a mile circle, close to the ground, running up to about twenty-five feet from my hangar.

"The 'Flying Cupid' is remarkable for his youth and the extent of flying he has done in the past few months, since he started. In his machine, made by Peck, he has a large amount of spare parts, and he is a large stockholder. Peck has spiraled the Washington Monument and made some remarkable long distance flights. He is very chummy and receives a lot of gray hair about his lack of beard. But his nerve is not lacking.

Two weeks ago Peck announced that he would carry mail from New York to Washington in a non-stop flight. He was sworn in by Postmaster Morgan, but the aeroplane which he was to fly was to be equipped with another engine than the 'gyro' that was contracted for, and Peck refused to make the trip. He is under contract to Ethel Berlin, the multi-millionaire inventor who built the engine which carried his machine on the longest flight made by an American-built motor.

Peck hinted today that he would fly to Washington anyway, as he is booked to exhibit a week at Hagerstown, Md. Peck left for Washington today. After the week of exhibition "to recuperate financially," he explains, the "Flying Cupid" will make the trip carrying mail from Washington to Governor's Island, probably within two weeks.

SUBWAY CAVE-IN TROUBLE.

Man Caught Under Landslide and Building Roof is Cracked. Frank Clette, thirty years old, a laborer at work in the Lexington avenue subway excavation under One Hundred and Fourth street and Lexington avenue, was badly injured today when a cave-in of earth piled down on him and fastened him on a beam from which a spike protruded. The spike inflicted a deep but not necessarily dangerous wound in his thigh and he was removed to the Harlem Hospital. Immediately after the cave-in the foreman on the job was notified that there was a crack in the roof of No. 1453 Lexington avenue.

HALF BILLION CITY SOON, JUDGED BY BUDGET DEMANDS

Department Officials Ask for \$100,000,000 More for Improvements.

With \$134,000,000 of the city's money sunk in contracts for new subways; with undetermined tens of millions needed for further transit accommodations, and with a budget for the year of nearly \$100,000,000, Father Knickerbocker will turn next week to consideration of the requests of various branches of the city government for appropriations, aggregating nearly \$100,000,000 more to be used for permanent improvements for the coming year.

These requests have been forwarded to the Corporate Stock Budget Committee, comprising Messrs. McNamoy, Mitchell and Prendergast. These enormous figures show New York City rapidly nearing the title of the "Half Billion Dollar Town." Already it costs nearly a third as much to run Greater New York as it does the United States Government, and this proportion may reach half of the latter sum.

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STOCK BUY FOR THE COMMITTEE'S KNIVES.

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GEORGE CONSIDINE BANKRUPT, CLAIM OF HIS CREDITORS

Representing Only \$5,000 Debts, Petitioners Demand Decree in Federal Court.

The glory of the days and the nights of the Hotel Metropole are threatened with eclipse, for the creditors of George F. Considine would have him adjudged a bankrupt. Today a petition was filed in the Federal Court praying that the well known hotel, cafe and all-around sporting man be declared a bankrupt. It is asserted in the petition that the liabilities of Considine amount to about \$300,000, and that his leasehold, hotel building and fixtures are worth about \$200,000. The petitioners are A. C. Meyer Company, the Franco-American Baking Company and John M. O'Connor & Co., all of this city. They charge that Considine committed an act of bankruptcy in having paid certain creditors about \$1,000, making them preferred creditors.

CLAIMS OF CREDITORS IN PETITION SMALL. The A. M. Meyer Company claims it is the holder of a promissory note amounting to \$5,000, and that Considine owes, besides for merchandise since Jan. 1 to the present time \$1,550.00. The Franco-American Baking Company claims there is \$500 due for bread furnished since Feb. 1. The claim of John M. O'Connor & Co. is for advertising. George F. Considine is one of the best known men in the sporting world of New York, and some years ago his name was known the world over. The old Metropole, Forty-second street, is well remembered, and the new hostelry has not been any less popular as a resort for actors, bohemians and all classes of sports. It has been long the popular hotel for vaudevillians, and is noted for its "Soubrette Row."

When the Metropole was opened Considine threw away the key and the doors of the former resort. Since since closed. The "late game" has been a particularly interesting gathering of fight promoters, ring fans, ring celebrities, has-beens and hope-to-be's. Actors and sportsmen at the shrine of Momus are wont to foregather in the cafe and at the bar, people to whom time was no object, who live beneath the moon and sleep beneath the stars. It was thought that the Metropole was a veritable mint, but in the light of today's proceedings it would seem that the mint was only an assay shop and that the assay didn't pan. It is pretty tough knawling when Considine can't raise the dough to pay for his bread. It is not known whether or not the suit will be contested.

NO WARNING OF ACTION, SAYS MANAGER YOUNG.

George Considine is in the South, according to Manager Young of the hotel. Mr. Young was seen by an Evening World reporter shortly after the filing of the bankruptcy petition and declared that it was a great surprise to him. "I have had no warning of this," he said, "and I am sure Mr. Considine will settle the matter satisfactorily. The claims of the petitioning creditors do not aggregate more than \$5,000 and I do not understand why they went to such a length. "Money seems to be awfully tight up here now, especially in this business. Everybody is held down to sixty days' time and you don't seem able to get any extension. However, I am not authorized to say anything for Mr. Considine, and, besides, I am not familiar with the details of his business affairs."

From other sources in the region of the Metropole it was said that the hotel business in the mid-region of Manhattan Borough has fallen upon evil days. The summer slump has set in, and it is an unusually bad slump. Very little money is being spent in the lobster palaces and many hotels and restaurants are being hard pressed by their creditors. It was the same condition of affairs that closed Churchhill's, the Cafe Madrid, the Cafe de l'Opera and several other well known resorts.

CONSIDINE BROTHERS MADE NEW YORK SIT UP.

The Considine brothers, George F. and John, began business in Detroit as proprietors of popular saloons. In 1898,

WALL STREET

The Closing Prices. Today's highest, lowest and last prices of stocks and bonds, compared with yesterday's final figures are as follows:

Table of stock market closing prices. Columns include: Name, High, Low, Last, Change. Includes: Amal. Copper, Am. Gas, Am. Ice, Am. Sugar, Am. Tobacco, Am. Wool, Am. Cotton, Am. Lumber, Am. Paper, Am. Oil, Am. Rubber, Am. Leather, Am. Glass, Am. Brick, Am. Cement, Am. Iron, Am. Steel, Am. Coal, Am. Petroleum, Am. Chemicals, Am. Miscellaneous.

CAUGHT AT ST. JOSEPH'S.

Richard Kabelein was arrested today while trying the door of the St. Joseph's Home, One Hundred and Eighty-eighth street and Bathgate avenue, the Bronx. He was charged with breaking and entering. The prisoner said he was trying to get into the store to dry his shirt which he had washed in a nearby brook. His statement was the only evidence that he had a shirt to wash. He was later arraigned in the Morrisania Court and held for further examination.

LAMBS TO GIVE ALL-STAR GAMBOL ON MONDAY NIGHT

The Lambs' Club All-Star Gambol will be seen at the Manhattan Opera House on Monday night. Among the participants will be James O'Neill, Robert Mantell, David Wardell, Frederick Ward, David Belasco, David Blasham, William Mulholland, Eddie Foy, Wilton Lackaye, De Wolf Hopper, Andrew Mack, Fred Stone, David Montgomery, Jefferson D'Angelis, Marshall P. Wilder, Raymond Hitchcock, Henry H. Warner, Mabel Barker, Thomas A. Wise, Dustin Farnum, William Courtleigh, George H. Broadhurst, Charles Kiehl, Frank Gillmore, Augustus Thomas and Brandon Tynan. The entertainment will begin with an old-time minstrel first part. A boxing match between Montgomery and Stone will be followed by "The Assassination of Caesar." David Wardell will be seen again in his well-remembered characterization of a pack peddler. Another feature will be "The Actors' Fund Fair," a musical sketch, and the performance will end with the passing in review of twenty-five well-known actors in characters which have won them fame. The Lambs, headed by Victor Herbert's band, will parade from the clubhouse to the theatre an hour or two before the performance.

Ended His Spree with Death.

John Fitzel, a retired saloonkeeper of No. 601 Eighth avenue, left his flat today, telling his wife that he was going out to get something to cure him of his drink habit. A few seconds later he shot himself through the head and died instantly. He had been on a spree for several weeks.

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