

# PEARY, IN PLUNGE OF 1200 FEET, IS BLIND TO DANGER

### Arctic Explorer In Long Aero Fall But Doesn't Know About It.

New York, Oct. 13.—If you dropped 1,200 feet through the air, would you know it?

Rear Admiral Robert E. Peary, retired, did that yesterday afternoon in a Curtiss flying boat at Long Beach and did not know he had fallen until told so by Truman W. Post, who had arranged the flight. He appeared a bit dazed at the news.

"Jove! It was thrilling," he murmured, "but I thought every one descended that way."

Rear Admiral Peary, Alberto Santos Dumont and Mrs. William H. Bliss, wife of lawyer living at No. 6 East Sixty-fifth street, were the guests of the officials of the Aero Club of America at a meet held at Long Beach. There were thrills in plenty. The first one came when it was announced that Mrs. Bliss, at sixty years, was making her first flight.

The final thrill was felt when the magneto went on strike when Peary and Frank Burnside, the aviator, were 1,200 feet in the air. With a loud cough and a long sigh the engine stopped and the machine was seen to tip suddenly to the left, right itself almost instantly and then swoop downward in spirals toward the sea.

Didn't Disturb Him. There was a gasp from the party on the beach, followed by a sigh of relief as the machine settled firmly on the water and Peary was seen calmly lighting his pipe.

Mr. Post and a party of his friends put out in a motor boat and towed the craft to the landing. As his friends rushed forward to congratulate him, Rear Admiral Peary saw a great light.

"There was an accident?" he inquired. "Why, I thought every one landed that way. I had no idea there was anything wrong."

The flight was thrilling. We were having a most delightful sail through the clouds when Mr. Burnside turned to come back. I heard the report, but Burnside turned to me and said, "It's all right. We're in no danger. I know now that we came down suddenly, but I assure you I did not know at the time that anything unusual had happened. Will I go up again? Most certainly I will. It's fine sport."

Mrs. Bliss First to Fly. Alan R. Hawley, president of the Aero Club of America, Henry A. Wood, a member of the Edison Naval Board of Invention, Henry Woodhouse and Leasing J. Tevis of California accompanied the party.

Mrs. Bliss was the first to make a flight. She did not look half her age as, with flushed cheeks and sparkling eyes, she was lifted into the seat beside the pilot. Her husband stood on the pier and watched her with pride.

The flying boat hinged over the water and rose into the air. Mrs. Bliss was gone about ten minutes, flying sixty miles an hour at a height of about 400 feet.

"My! It's hard to breathe!" she said, as she left the boat. "But I enjoyed every minute of it. It is simply wonderful!"

Then Santos-Dumont, pioneer of flying, the first man to make a public flight and the first pilot of a dirigible balloon, entered the machine for his first flight over American soil.

Again the Engine Balked. The next trip was that of Rear Admiral Peary. Once again the engine balked and it took nearly half an hour before it could be induced to run. Finally the magneto decided to reconsider and produce another spark.

The machine rose until it was about 1,200 feet above the earth. Then came the motor's extra loud cough that meant trouble and the machine swerved and dropped. Burnside managed to poplans in circles, and brought the machine back over the water and facing the wind. In this way he averted what might have been a serious accident.

## ADDITIONAL DINING CAR ON MERCHANTS' LIMITED

The New York, New Haven & Hartford Railroad Co. has resumed with the opening of the fall service the operation of two dining cars on the Merchants' Limited. In one car will be served the regular table d'hôte dinner while in the other the passenger may order a la carte. This will greatly facilitate the service on these trains.

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The dining cars are 73.5 feet long and are equipped with 12 tables with a total seating capacity of 48 guests. The indirect lighting system on the dining cars consists of six suspended globes, each containing three 60-watt tungsten lamps.

Hermann Whitaker, the novelist, was seriously injured when his automobile overturned near Oakland, Cal.

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# STRATFORD TOWN OFFICIALS DESIRE MODERN SEWERAGE

### Appoint Committee to Investigate—Minor Office Holders Are Named.

(Special to The Farmer.)

Stratford, Oct. 13.—Believing that a sewerage system is necessary in the town the board of selectmen at a special meeting held last evening at the Town hall named Elliott W. Peck, Burton C. Warner, Frederick S. Beardsley, Paul Goodell, Max Fredericks, Samuel W. Hubbell and Magnus J. Dahlin as a special sewer committee to investigate the conditions and make a report to the board at some future date.

Other appointments made by the board at the meeting were: Harry A. Burnes of South Main street, building inspector with full authority to make a building code and to submit the same to a meeting of the board; Charles D. Lay of Putney, park commissioner for three years; George Batesman of Main street and John Molyneux of North Main street, military and personal tax registrars; Clarence E. Palmer, Sr., of East Main street, to succeed George Webb as tree warden; Daniel J. Carter of Broadbridge road, to succeed himself as dog warden; Edward Manchester of Main street, Arthur H. Parrott of Broadbridge road, Frederick Coster (bridge-tender at Washington bridge), Charles R. Bassett of Otis street, Alfred S. Wakelee of Main street, David H. Middlebrook of Broadbridge road, Harry Wilcoxson of North Main street, Arthur Cranston of California street and Chester Cranston of Hawkins street,

special constables.

Permission was given the basketball team of the local high school to use the first-floor of the town hall for two afternoons and evenings a week, the day to be selected at the team's discretion.

It was also voted at the meeting that the town attorney, John S. Pullman, notify James J. Sexton of Stratford avenue to remove his back fence to a place on a line with other property owners. Some time ago the former board of selectmen granted permission to Mr. Sexton to move his fence out about eight feet for the purpose of grading and beautifying the land, with the proviso that he remove it when ordered by the selectmen.

The Men's club of the Congregational church will hold its regular October meeting Monday, Oct. 18, at the home of Maclaren Stevenson on East Broadway. Prof. Henry K. Blake of Yale university will be the speaker. His subject will be "The Lure of Labrador."

The Women's Aid society of the Congregational church will hold a food sale at the Town hall tomorrow afternoon from 2:30 o'clock until 5 o'clock. Miss Emma G. Allen, former assistant town clerk, is spending a few weeks' vacation with friends at Long Island.

## Presbyterian Men's Club Will Serve Hot Roast Beef Supper

Tomorrow night at the People's Presbyterian church at 6:45 the Men's club will give a hot roast beef supper to 300 members of the church and congregation. This is the second number of a series of "Ladies' Nights." An elaborate program has been arranged which will be enjoyed after the supper.

The soloists for the evening are, Miss Alice Bullard, D. W. Marshall, and G. H. Emery. Rev. George O. Tamblin, pastor of the Olivet Congregational church, will be the principal speaker of the evening. The affair is planned as a rally supper and Mr. Tamblin's address will be along that line. Rev. H. A. Davenport, pastor of the People's church, will also speak, as will several of the officers of the church and club. The supper will be preceded by a reception in the auditorium of the church, in which the central committee will be assisted by the ladies. No admission will be charged to the supper, but a voluntary contribution will be asked to meet the expense.

At the recent annual meeting of the club a large central committee, with Mrs. L. T. Court as chairman, was selected to arrange for affairs of this kind for the year. The other officers elected on the same evening are, John E. Wynkoop, chaplain; G. H. Emery and R. J. MacKenzie, vice presidents; C. A. Emery, secretary; C. A. Youngs, treasurer; R. J. Wynkoop, Jr., secretary to the president and Prof. W. H. Stockwell, chaplain. G. H. Emery was appointed chairman of the membership committee and William E. Davenport chairman of the music committee. These various men will have an important part in the program.

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