

CURTISS FLIES FAST IN PRELIMINARIES

American Entrant in Coupe Internationale Goes 12.42 Miles in 15:48.

BLERIOT BREAKS HIS OWN RECORD

Story How Henri Farman Won Grand Prix de la Champagne.

RHEIMS, Aug. 28.—Glenn H. Curtiss, the American entrant in the Coupe Internationale, covered the twenty kilometers (12.42 miles) in 15 minutes 59.5 seconds this morning.

Curtiss started flying shortly after 10 o'clock. His time to date has been 15:48, his second round being 20 seconds faster than his best previous negotiation of the course.

Bleriot, Curtiss' most feared rival, made a trial trip around the course in 7 minutes 51.5 seconds, nearly 10 seconds better than his best yet made.

It is confidently expected that Curtiss' mark in the Coupe Internationale, or Bennett cup contest, will win him not only this event, which is the blue ribbon event of the meet, but also the Prix de Vitresse, or speed prize, and the Tour de Plate prize, which is for the fastest flight around the course.

The prize in the Prix de Vitresse is \$2,000, in the Tour de Plate, \$1,000, and in the Coupe Internationale, \$5,000 in addition to the cup, which is valued at \$2,500.

Lefebvre proved a bitter disappointment in his Wright biplane. He made the first round in 9 minutes, 45.4 seconds, but on the second round his machine acted badly and it required 19 minutes, 47.3 seconds to complete it.

The weather today was the best of the week and was ideal for flying. Bleriot, Latham, and George Cockburn, the latter representing England, are the three other contestants in the Coupe Internationale. Cockburn will use a Farman biplane, and is not believed to have a chance.

Farman's Flight. Henry Farman's actual flight, by which he won the Grand Prix de la Champagne yesterday, flying for 3 hours, 4 minutes, 56.2 seconds, was about 190 kilometers (118.06 miles), but the last ten kilometers were made after half-past seven o'clock, at which hour the official timekeepers ceased recording his time.

The real work of the day did not begin until about half-past four o'clock, by the appearance of M. Latham on his No. 12 monoplane.

Latham had not been in the air more than ten minutes when Henry Farman and M. Roger Sommer both came out on the Farman type of biplane. This was unexpected, for Sommer had made very few flights of importance. Mr. Farman had only once been round the course under official control.

Farman passed ahead of Sommer and Latham and took the lead on both machines. Just as he was crossing the timer's line Sommer's motor weakened, allowing the aeroplane to drop and wheel and touch the ground. In accordance with the rules he was obliged to go back without stopping. He encircled the timer's box and passed over the line once more, this maneuver causing him to fall far in the rear.

The Antoinette monoplane was so much faster than the two Farman biplanes that M. Latham frequently lapped both of them. Thus Farman occupied 51 minutes and 21 seconds to make fifty kilometers, while the same distance was covered by M. Latham in 44 minutes and 22 seconds.

Like Graceful Bird.

Another striking comparison between the two machines was in the elegance of their lines and the beauty of their flights. M. Latham maintained an average altitude of eighty to ninety meters, advancing rapidly and gracefully like a bird. As the sun lit up the yellow canvas it glittered on the aluminum sides of the boatlike frame and revolving propellers. The sight was most magnificent.

Both Mr. Farman and M. Sommer remained from six to twelve feet from the ground, making the rounds with great regularity in a little more than ten minutes, but by comparison they were anything but impressive in their manner of flying. M. Latham flew eighty kilometers in 1 hour 11 minutes and 15 seconds, this being recorded in eight rounds. One hundred kilometers were made in 1 hour 29 minutes 29.5 seconds. Then another round was made, giving a total official distance of 110 kilometers, in 1 hour 38 minutes 5.5 seconds.

Then the fuel supply became exhausted and on the outside of the course the airplane settled down, uninjured, but helpless. M. Latham caused a supply of gasoline to be sent out to him and an hour later flew back to the course, passed in front of the grandstands and entered the sheds.

M. Sommer Ends Flight.

When M. Latham was on the course the two Farman machines attracted comparatively little attention. M. Sommer dropped to the ground after covering three rounds. He repaired his motor and started a second time in the Grand Prix races half an hour later. It was then too late for him to secure a really important position, the time not being taken after half-past seven, and his reappearance passed almost unperceived.

It was after M. Latham dropped and Mr. Farman reeled off eighty kilometers and was still going well that the public became really interested in this ponderous-looking, slow-going aeroplane, moving but a few feet above the ground. Although it was not then believed to have a chance.

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ZEPPELIN'S DIRIGIBLE MEETS WITH ILL LUCK

Count Wires Kaiser Wilhelm That It Will Be Impossible to Reach Berlin Today, as Was Expected.

BERLIN, Aug. 28.—Count Zeppelin wired the Kaiser late this afternoon from Bittenfeld that it would be impossible to reach Berlin today with his new dirigible balloon.

Just preceding the message from the count, the Kaiser was in receipt of a telegram from Crown Prince Friedrich Wilhelm, who is with Zeppelin at Bittenfeld awaiting the arrival of the balloon, in which the crown prince asked his father to order Zeppelin to remain in Bittenfeld over night and conclude the trip to Berlin tomorrow.

It was now dark. Even with the most careful watching and the most powerful field glasses it was exceedingly difficult to follow the aeroplane around the ground. For a few minutes the machine was lost entirely from view. Although it appeared certain that M. Latham's distance had been exceeded and that Mr. Farman had won first prize, it was impossible to say if he was still in the air. A few minutes more and he came looping up in the gathering gloom.

A mighty roar from thousands of throats went up as the aeroplane again passed in front of the stands. Sixteen rounds, representing 190 kilometers, had been covered in 2 hours 43 minutes 25.5 seconds.

All world's records, both for time and distance, had been beaten.

Fail to Lower Records.

Both Mr. Curtiss and M. Bleriot made unsuccessful attempts to lower their respective times for ten kilometers. In the speed test Mr. Curtiss was the first to get away, a few minutes before 7 o'clock, on the Herring-Curtiss biplane.

Stripped for fast work, he started across the course, rose to a great height, described a circle, and after two minutes shot over the starting line at full speed.

The ten kilometers were covered by Mr. Curtiss in 8 minutes, 21.5 seconds. The official classification for the Grand Prix Champagne distance competition is as follows: First prize, 50,000 francs, M. Farman, Farman biplane, 180 kilometers.

Second, 25,000 francs, M. Latham, Antoinette monoplane, 154 kilometers, 590 meters.

Third, 10,000 francs, M. Paulhan, Voisin biplane, 137 kilometers.

Fourth, 5,000 francs, Comte de Lambert, Wright biplane, 116 kilometers.

Fifth, 5,000 francs, Paul M. Tissandier, 111 kilometers.

FIVE MINERS KILLED.

CARLISLE, W. Va., Aug. 28.—Five coal miners were killed and twelve seriously injured in the naval colliery at Rhondda today through the falling of an elevator cage. Three escaped.

POLITICAL PLUMS PICKED BY SLEMP

The Virginia Representative Lands Five Census Supervisorships.

Representative Bascom Slemp of the Ninth Virginia district and the recognized Republican leader of that State, has won a telling victory in the fight for census supervisor appointments.

The selection of nine of the ten census supervisors has been announced. The eighth district is still without a supervisor. This appointment awaits the recommendation of Representative Carlisle. Five of the nine men selected are Republicans, one is a Taft Democrat, and the other three are Democrats.

Virginia will also require about 500 more enumerators, according to Geographer Charles S. Stone, of the Census Bureau. During the last census 1,000 men were necessary, but 1,500 will be needed for the 1910 census. It has not yet been decided how the augmented number will be apportioned among the various districts.

The supervisors named are:

First district—W. W. Woodward, of Hampton, Democrat, recommended by Representative Jones; not or slate.

Second district—E. P. Bunting, Republican, of Norfolk county, recommended by Republicans.

Third district—C. Ridgeway Moore, of Richmond, Republican, recommended by Republicans.

Fourth district—W. A. Lord, Democrat, of Blackstone, recommended by Representative Lassiter, and on Democratic slate.

Fifth district—S. Floyd Landreth, of Carroll county, Republican, recommended by Republicans.

Sixth district—Edward C. Burks, of Bedford City, recommended by Representative Glass, and on Democratic slate.

Seventh district—E. Dulany Ott, of Harrisonburg, Republican, recommended by Republicans.

Ninth district—John C. Smith, of Dickenson, Republican, recommended by Republicans.

Tenth district—Warren L. Hyde, of Buchanan, said to be a "Taft Democrat," supported by Republicans.

BATHING BEACH RACES PROMISE GOOD SPORT

If "Tubby" Ryan Wins the Tub Race Again This Afternoon He'll Have to Put Forth His Best Efforts.

If Jimmy, otherwise known as "Tubby" Ryan, wins the tub race at the bathing beach this afternoon, he will have to go some. A lot of Jimmy's pals are laying for him and are determined to wrest from him the honors won on previous occasions. The odds are on Jimmy, however.

Jimmy is in a class by himself, when the tub is used as an adjunct to locomotion. In previous races he has exhibited all the grace and experience of a Courtney and has finished so far in advance of other contestants as to create the impression that they were tied. In recognition of his ability, Superintendent W. B. Hudson, of the bathing beach, has bestowed upon him the sobriquet of "Tubby," by which name he is now known among his friends and admirers.

There are, however, among Jimmy's acquaintances, a number who harbor the opinion that "Tubby" is not invincible. Since last Saturday, upon which occasion he carried off the honors so easily as to appear bored by the performance, they have been practicing

in the tub-racing line, and are prepared, it is understood, to make "Tubby" look like a scow loaded with rocks beside a 20-horsepower motor boat.

The race will be pulled off at 3 o'clock this afternoon. The program includes also a half-mile race, breast stroke, for boys under sixteen; races under water, and numerous fancy swimming and diving events.

The popularity of the Saturday afternoon water carnivals which were instituted by Superintendent Hudson several weeks ago, is attested by the constantly increasing crowd of contestants and spectators. The beach is a favorite resort also of the gentler sex, and last Wednesday 150 women and girls visited the pools.

Early morning swims are becoming quite the fad, and 7 o'clock, the opening hour, usually finds a number of fair bathers waiting for the plunge.

The beach will remain open as long as the weather will permit. It is the hope of Commissioner West and Superintendent Hudson that the success of the institution this year will lead Congress to make a larger appropriation for its maintenance next season.

SHOOTS HIS SISTER; THOUGHT GUN EMPTY

MILTON, Del., Aug. 28.—Because he didn't know the gun was loaded, the eight-year-old son of J. Henry King, of Hall's Neck, shot and seriously wounded his ten-year-old sister, the shot tearing off part of her chin and one side of her face. The two children were playing hide and seek while the parents were doing some work in a near-by field. As the little girl peeped out of the door, the boy seized the gun from a rack and in fun pointed it at her. The physician believes he can save the child's life, but she will be disfigured.

POLICEMAN TOO ENERGETIC.

SCHENECTADY, N. Y., Aug. 28.—Motor Cycle Patrolman Kipp, who has been the terror of the touring motorists all summer and who on August 19 fired six shots in a busy street at a car containing Coroner Schupp, of Albany, was today tried before Commissioner of Safety Moffet, reprimanded for indiscretion, removed from the wheel and sent back to patrolling on foot.

LAND BILL PASSES.

LONDON, Aug. 28.—The Irish land bill, as reintroduced in the house of commons on March 30 by Chief Secretary for Ireland Birrell, has passed through committee without serious amendment.

REYNOLDS PLANNING IMPORTANT MEETING

Acting Secretary of Treasury Will Confer With Appraisers In November.

Acting Secretary Reynolds, of the Treasury Department, is planning the most important conference of appraisers that has ever been held by the customs service. It will begin November 8 at New York, and last a week. Mr. Reynolds will be present at the opening.

It is the rule to hold these annual conferences, but the one this year will be of unusual importance on account of the new customs law and the large number of new questions raised. The appraisers of all the chief ports will be present. Questions of classification and like matters will be discussed.

PLAGUE KILLS FOUR.

TIFLIS, Aug. 28.—The Siberian plague, an animal disease, is accountable for the recent deaths here of four men. Forty cases among men are being treated.



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