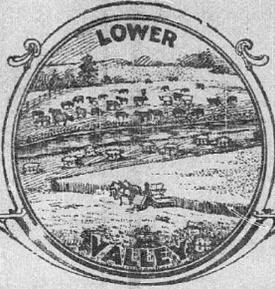


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DARING BOY AVIATOR KILLED

Cromwell Dixon Meets Fate at the Spokane Fair.

Spokane, Oct. 2.—Fresh from his triumph of last Saturday, when he topped the Rocky mountains in a sensational flight from Helena, Cromwell Dixon, the 19-year-old aviator, fell from a height of about 150 feet in his initial performance at the Spokane inter-state fair grounds late today and was killed. A mere handful of spectators witnessed the accident and thousands who were craning their necks for a glimpse of the aviator did not know of the tragedy enacted just out of their range of vision. Dixon was removed to the emergency hospital on the grounds where he died 45 minutes after the fall.

Witnesses saw Dixon bank his planes for a turn and it is thought a sudden gust of wind coming up through a deep cut of the Northern Pacific tracks immediately below him caught the planes, already at an angle. Before the operator could recover himself he was plunged headfirst to the track. When picked up unconscious from under his wrecked machine, it was apparent that his injuries were fatal. He was rushed to the hospital, but nothing could be done to save him. Death was pronounced due to concussion of the brain and hemorrhage.

At the hospital it was found that his skull was fractured, his right leg broken and his collarbone shattered so that a portion of it protruded through the flesh. He died soon after being taken to the hospital.

Dixon began his aerial career as a balloonist, making successful flights with his skycycle, propelled by a bicycle contrivance, when he was only 14 years old, at Columbus, O. In his eight weeks' career as a member of the Curtiss staff not once did he miss a scheduled flight and when spectators this afternoon heard him say "Here I go," as his machine moved over the Northern Pacific cut near the grounds, he heralded the first and last stroke of ill luck to befall him.

The eight cylinder 50-horsepower Curtiss biplane, Humming Bird,

which proved a death trap to the boy, was much heavier than St. Henry's Sweetheart, having a double surface or rubberized silk on the planes. The machine weighed more than 800 pounds and was capable of making 60 miles an hour. St. Henry is also flying at the interstate fair.

The accident occurred in the first attempt at a flight of the day. Dixon left the ground after continued difficulty in getting his machine to rise. Just clearing the telegraph wires north of the fair grounds his biplane was seen to careen to the right and crash into a pit beside the railroad tracks.

H. O. McCall of the Stanton Packing house, who saw him fall, says the fall was sidewise for a distance of 150 feet.

According to Manager Scott of the Curtiss flyers, the wind sweeping up the Northern Pacific cut caused Cromwell's fall. The plane was slow in rising and the aviator had not attained an altitude high enough to avoid the dangerous currents. He fell to the bottom of the cut and had to be hauled up the side with ropes.

Young Dixon made a record while competing for his pilot license at Nassau Boulevard on Aug. 7. He was born in the old Cliff house at San Francisco, July 9, 1892, and in his youth gained unusual aerial experience.

At the World's fair at St. Louis Dixon saw his first aeroplane and was inspired with the thought of becoming an aviator. When he returned to Columbus he began to build airships. He participated in the international balloon meet in 1907 and won several prizes and medals. He afterwards operated dirigibles at several fairs in the United States.

FARM FOR LEASE.

I will lease my 1,100-acre farm, two miles east of Crane, Montana, on the east side of the Yellowstone river, to any responsible parties. For further particulars apply to George H. Berry, Crane, Mont. 321f

Broken Dam Causes Hundreds Of Deaths

Coudersport, Pa., Oct. 1.—With a roar that could be heard for miles, the great dam of the Bayless Pulp and Paper company at Austin, Pa., 14 miles from here, went out at 2:30 o'clock Saturday afternoon. Forty bodies had been recovered from the ruins when darkness came that evening, and it is estimated that fully 400 more persons are unaccounted for and are believed to be dead.

The dam, which was 530 feet long and 49 feet high, was 32 feet thick at the base and held back more than 500,000,000 gallons of water.

For the first time since its construction two years ago the water was running over the top, and many persons went out from Austin, a mile and a half away to see the unusual sight.

They were horrified when a section about 20 feet wide gave way on the west side. A great volume of water poured through the hole and the alarm was quickly sounded. People ran for their lives to the nearby hills, but some were caught in the flood and whirled down the valley. A moment later another break occurred, this time on the east side. It was much greater and permitted the bulk of the mass of water behind to rush in a mighty volume toward the lowlands. Harry Davis, a locomotive engineer of this place, reached a telephone and notified the operator at the exchange. She called as many persons as possible. But the time was short. The raging flood tore down the little valley, carrying death on its debris-covered crest.

Hundreds of women and children—the men were away at work—were caught in their homes and drowned or crushed before they knew what had happened. Houses went down before the mighty onrush of water and gas pipes, bent and broken, released their dangerous fluid. Before the water had passed on its terrible course through the town, a dozen fires were burning in as many places and the cries of the injured and imprisoned persons joined in the terrible thunder of the flood.

Much of the debris lodged against the shops of the Buffalo and Susquehanna railroad and there the fire raged fiercest. Many men were caught there and it is believed that few if any escaped with their lives.

The course of the flood was through the business center of the little village. A majority of the buildings were of wood and those which were not immediately wrecked by the torrent were soon in flames.

So sudden was the onslaught of water that many persons had no time to flee to the hills, but others received warning, and, believing it was fire, hastened to the center of the town, only to be caught in the flood and swept away.

The flood passed quickly, leaving desolation in its wake. Houses had been crushed and tossed about like toys, while hundreds of bodies had been carried down on the crest of the surging torrent.

With the passage of the water those who had fled to the hills hastened to return to their ruined homes in search of relatives and friends. Here and there bodies had been cast along the paths of the torrent and about 40 bodies were recovered in a short time. Some of them had been so badly battered by the tossing debris that they were beyond recognition, while others had been carried along with no apparent injury. Many were caught in burning buildings, and it will be days before the real extent of the calamity will be known. It is believed that no less than 400 persons perished and some estimates are higher.

Austin, Pa., Oct. 1.—The little town of Costello, below this place, has been annihilated. The population is between 400 and 500 persons. A survivor reached Austin at 10 o'clock last night. He said that there was hardly a sign of life in Costello. Whether the most of the residents of Costello perished in the flood or have fled to the hills, the man would not say. He believes, however, that two-thirds of the population are dead. Practically every building in the town was leveled by the torrent.

Definite information was obtained after 10 o'clock that every member of the family of State Senator Frank E. Baldwin, except the senator himself, was killed. These include Mrs. Baldwin, their children, Senator Baldwin's mother, father and sister. The senator was injured. The flames were sweeping the entire town at 10 o'clock.

Harrisburg, Oct. 2.—Adjutant

ORGANIZATION IS ACCOMPLISHED

Stockmen Now Have Power of Protecting Interests.

The meeting called for the Court House last Saturday evening for the purpose of organizing a stock owners' protective association was well attended by the stockmen of the eastern part of the state and others having the interests of the industry at heart. Those from Dawson and Custer counties were especially in evidence.

After considerable discussion by those present, the name finally decided upon for the new organization was the "Eastern Montana Stock Owners' Protective Association." Officers elected were J. M. Boardman, president; James Hunter, first vice-president; Kenneth McLain, second vice-president; L. R. Barnett, secretary. The board of managers named was C. A. Thurston, C. J. Murphy, E. S. Herrick, Geo. McCone, Henry Dion, J. M. Boardman, G. D. Hollecker, H. Mullendore, Kenneth McLain, Geo. B.

Williams, S. B. Chappell, J. P. Meadors, W. C. Henderson, Sam Sanderson, W. S. Haley, G. L. Pope, R. L. Lowrey, Nick Buttleman, Jas. Hunter, M. L. Benner, F. G. Arnett, J. S. Day, Alex Inner, Percy Williamson and O. C. Cato. Chosen from the above list is the executive committee, composed of C. A. Thurston, chairman; C. J. Murphy, E. S. Herrick, Geo. McCone, Henry Dion, J. M. Boardman, G. D. Hollecker, H. Mullendore and Kenneth McLain.

As yet, it has not been definitely decided as to the bounds of the organization, but eventually it is hoped to have all the counties of the eastern part of the state united. Such a body has been needed for a long time past and is sure to do an unlimited amount of good, in the protection of the interests of the stock owners.

General Stewart Sunday ordered tents and rations to be sent to Austin and the entire force of the state arsenal has been ordered to duty at once to prepare the hospitals. It is hoped to get some of the tents started before morning. Orders from the state police department have been issued for all men to be recalled from patrol duty and rushed to Austin.

A telephone message received from Austin at 8 o'clock stated that fires were burning fiercely in the section of the town swept by the flood and that it is feared victims will be cremated.

Efforts are being made by rescue parties to reach the pulp mill, where, it is reported, a number of men escaped the flood. People are reported in the wreckage of buildings in the central section. Telephone reports are that the flood wrecked several towns down the Sinnemahoning valley below Austin. A number of lives were lost in those towns.

The dam was built of concrete and was situated on Sinnemahoning

creek. The water caught a draft of freight cars near the station and they were carried down the valley with the wreckage of the railroad buildings.

The hotels in the town were destroyed, and as they were located directly in the path of the torrent, no one is thought to have escaped from them. The fire started in the ruins of a warehouse and communicated to a row of houses which had partially escaped the flood.

Telegrams have been received here from Austin asking for state police to guard the ruins and preserve order. Gov. Tener, who is at Charlevoix, near Pittsburg, is expected to order police to go to the scene.

The big pulp mill was right in the path of the flood and great quantities of logs were carried against the town by the flood. The impact of the logs likely accounts for the wreckage of buildings completely.

Telephone reports from Austin are that the houses on the hillsides escaped serious damage, although nearly all were swept by water. The central part of the town was literally wiped out.

DISPERSAL SALE

of Standard Bred and Registered Trotting Stock, Stallion and Brood Mares

Dr. Sym, 51172, bay horse, foaled in 1907, by Symboleer 19869, 2:09½; dam Berdina McGregor by Jackdaw 14297. Granddam Belle McGregor by Robert McGregor 647. Dr. Sym is a four year old and trialed the past season in 2:27½ at the trot. So when you buy a colt why not buy the best.

Symboleer, 2:09½ is the sire of the above Dr. Sym, and also the sire of Joe Bowers, 2:09 record taken this season.

BROOD MARE.

Minnie Willette 2:19½ chestnut mare, seven years old, foaled in 1904 by Allerton 5128, dam Alpha Sparks by Dr. Sparks 23680, granddam Alpha Russell.

This mare took her record last season, was not raced this season, but was bred to Gov. Wilson, trotting record, 2:17½, pacing trial two months ago 2:10½. This mare is safe in foal to Gov. Wilson and is one of the handsomest trotters to be found anywhere.

BROOD MARE.

Beautys Belle, 6 year old, bay mare, foaled in 1905 by Directum Kelly 31364, trotting record 2:08½, dam Beldin, record of 2:09 by Jack Dawson 19758, record 2:16. This mare was bred the past season to the sensational Gov. Wilson. Beautys Belle has also the four month colt at side by Potosi, sire of Hokolo 2:13½, Zip Bang 2:14½, Catherine Eddy 2:14½, Joe Pearce 2:19½, record taken at the Glendive track the past season. Also a number of others that can go in the 2:30 list any time they are asked to so.

Lintounetta, yearling chestnut mare, pacer, foaled in 1910 by Potosi 23731, dam Coleen Blacklock by Blacklock, 2:04, granddam Colleen by Reserve Fund, 5302. Reserve Fund is one of the best sons of Nutwood. This yearling is wellbroken to harness and is a pacer, sound and of a good disposition. This filly was bred at Glendive by Harry Helms. Also a four months bay colt, by Potosi 23731, dam Beautys Belle, by Directum Kelly 2:08½. This colt is a trotter well made and has all the ear marks of an early trotter. Here is a good one for someone wishing to buy a prospective trotter.

PARAPHERNALIA

Will also sell my barn at race track, 8 box stalls 12x12, kitchen and bedroom. Good water and pump located in barn, all conveniences for a first class racing stable. Will also sell my McMurray bike, Miller cart, harness blankets, all in good condition. In fact all paraphernalia required in a first class racing stable. Reason for selling, am getting too old and my other business requires my attention.

For particulars and prices, enquire of

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