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AVIATOR WINS SHAM SEA FIGHT

Curtiss Drops "Bombs" on Target Used as Warship.

BROOKINS STARTLES CROWD

After Dashing Through Surf in Biplane, Does Fancy Stunts High in Air That Made Spectators Hold Their Breath.

Crossing the sailing line of the yacht John E. Mehre, 2d, used as a target in place of a battleship at Atlantic City, Glenn Curtiss, using oranges as "bombs," gave an exhibition of his ability to drop high explosives on the deck of the craft. Fearing harm to the officials and ladies on the yacht, Curtiss placed his missiles so accurately alongside that spray was thrown over the gowns of the women. Then, whirling away, Curtiss took his plane far out to sea and beyond the range of anything but a twelve-inch gun, while the yacht passengers and watchers shuddered at the thought of the possibilities had the bombs been spheres of real explosives and the trim and glistening craft the object of real attack.

"The trial shows absolutely that the day of the battleship for attack on foreign cities is nearing its end," declared Colonel William Allen Jones, U. S. A., retired, formerly of the engineer corps. "Curtiss could have dropped a bomb on the deck of even that small craft with just as much ease and certainty as he showed when he spun them close enough to the vessel to show his ability without endangering the people on board.

"As for hitting that swooping aeroplane from the deck of a battleship, it would be practically impossible except with rifle balls, and both driver and engine could be protected with the lightest sort of armor or bullet proof cloth," concluded the army official.

Following his sham attack on the mock battleship, Curtiss dropped more orange "bombs" at a circular mark on the beach to show the ease with which he could hurl explosives into the camp of soldiers.

After the sham battle Walter Brookins gave another of his thrilling exhibitions of his ability to handle the big Wright machine, by making a series of whirling turns, ending with a daring rush through the surf in which his runners were buried in a monster breaker. The crowd, who thought that the youngster was about to tumble into the ocean, broke out into cheers when he lifted his plane into the air and landed safely on the beach.

There followed such maneuvers and such dangerous stunts as probably never before have marked an aviation meet.

Seems to Turn Completely.

Most spectacular and thrilling of all was the feat that the aviator called the "bank." Apparently he turned completely over with his machine while hundreds of feet above the heads of the spectators.

The daring aviator would take his machine to a good height so that it was plainly visible to all the dense and cheering throng. Then he would point the "prow" of his vessel almost straight upward, while his motor hummed busily.

While in this almost perpendicular position he gave his rudder plane a quick turn and whirled round and round, seeming to turn the machine upside down and clear over.

Then came another stunt, little less wonderful, causing men and women below to catch their breath in astonishment at the daring of the man.

GLENN H. CURTISS.
Aviator Making Flight Over Surf at Atlantic City.



Photo by American Press Association.

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Brookins soared beautifully, then gave his rudder the required twist and went whirling around again, this time using one of his supporting planes as a pivot.

It was for all the world like a dancer whirling on one toe. This feat again brought out a chorus of cheers from the crowds.

A sort of "zig-zag" or "criss-cross" was the next maneuver to cause the crowd to marvel. Brookins took his machine high in the air, then darted down about twenty yards to the right. Quickly reversing, he would dart a similar distance down to the left. In this way, alternately darting to right and left, he descended to within about 200 feet of the crowds.

Brookins was in the air eighteen minutes, showing the wonderful control he had of the machine.

The meet ended formally on Tuesday, the aviators being presented with the prizes won during the meet. Brookins received \$5000 for his feat in breaking the world's altitude record, while Curtiss pocketed a similar sum for his establishment of a fifty miles straightaway race record. Twenty-two flights have been made during the ten days of the meet, and the officials are happy over the success of the first affair of its kind in Atlantic City.

Mule Kicks Boy to Death.

Alonzo Shollenberger, of Joliet, aged nineteen years, employed as a driver at the Lincoln colliery at Pine Grove, Pa., was kicked in the region of the heart and neck by a vicious mule. He died instantly. The colliery was stopped for the balance of the day.

Justice Fuller Left \$1,000,000.

Under the terms of the will of the late Melville W. Fuller, chief justice of the supreme court of the United States, which was filed in the probate court at Chicago, the children of the jurist and their direct heirs will share equally in the division of his estate. This is estimated to amount to nearly \$1,000,000.

ROOSEVELT TO GO ON STUMP

Will Aid Senator Beveridge in Indiana.

THEY ARE WARM FRIENDS

It Is Said the Colonel's Endorsement of Insurgent Is Not Significant—Will Speak For Lodge in Massachusetts.

There was a new twist given to the senatorial contests that are going to take place in various parts of the country, when Colonel Roosevelt announced that he will go on the stump for Senator Albert J. Beveridge, of Indiana.

He said that William Dudley Foulke and Lucian B. Swift, of Indiana, who are close personal and political friends, had come to Oyster Bay, L. I., to ask him to go to Indiana to speak for Senator Beveridge and he consented.

The mere fact that the colonel has endorsed Beveridge, an insurgent, who did not break with President Taft during the last session of congress, is no waken here to be particularly significant, for Mr. Roosevelt and Senator Beveridge have been warm friends for many years. The ex-president left no doubt in the minds of his inquirers in regard to the contest that Beveridge is engaged in as he did concerning Representative Poindexter. He made the announcement positively.

The grand young man who ascended Sagamore Hill returned to the station with the same happy smile that other visitors have worn on similar occasions. With startling reticence he absolutely refused to tell what went on during his conference with the colonel, but a short while later Mr. Roosevelt himself left the cat out of the bag. He passed no comment, though, further than to remark that he will go out to Indiana next fall to speak in behalf of Senator Beveridge.

Senator Beveridge came out flat-footed against the Payne-Aldrich tariff bill and voted against it all the time. He was active in the passage of the statehood bill, but slipped up on his attempt to get through congress the Alaskan government bill. In the last session, however, Senator Beveridge helped the president pass the railroad bill and worked in harmony with Mr. Taft. He is said to enjoy the friendship of the president. He is running, however, on an anti-tariff and insurgent platform.

Colonel Roosevelt is apparently unable to keep out of national politics, even though he says he desires to for the time being. At the end of his trip to Boston last week, on which he was the guest of Senator Lodge, the colonel promised to go down east and aid Lodge in his struggle against Representative Butler Ames, of Massachusetts. If he keeps all of these dates he'll be a busy Mr. Roosevelt, when you take the state scrap in New York this fall into consideration.

Woman Heads Educators.

Mrs. Ella Flagg Young, superintendent of the Chicago public schools, was elected president of the National Educational association at its forty-eighth annual convention in Boston.

Mrs. Young is the first woman ever elected to this office, and her victory upset all precedents in that the association rejected the report of the nominating committee and chose the new president from the floor of the convention.

The vote was 617 to 376, the question being on the substitution of Mrs. Young's name for that of Z. X. Snyder, of Colorado, in the report of the committee on nominations.

The election of Mrs. Young was distinctly a victory for the women in the convention. Since the association convened here the women delegates, led by Miss Grace E. Strachan, of New York; Miss Elizabeth A. Allen, of New Jersey, and an enthusiastic Chicago delegation, had electioneered vigorously for Mrs. Young to make her the first woman president of the organization.

The nominating committee had decided on Z. X. Snyder, superintendent of the Colorado State Normal school.

Jersey Loses Tax Suit.

The court of errors and appeals at Trenton, N. J., has rendered a decision setting aside the tax of \$27,600 levied on Standard Oil stock owned by the late Mrs. Martha T. Fiske Collard, of Rhode Island, who died in Cairo, Egypt. The court held that the collateral inheritance tax law of 1906 is not applicable to taxes assessed as legacies.

The result of this decision probably means that the state will be compelled to refund from one-quarter to one-half a million dollars that had been collected up to date under the act of 1906.

ENGLISH FLIER KILLED IN FALL

C. S. Rolls, Hero of Double Trip Across Channel, Loses Life.

MACHINE BUCKLES IN AIR

Daring Aviator Fell 100 Feet When Tailpiece Broke and Was Dashed to Death in Presence of Big Crowd.

Hon. Charles Stewart Rolls, third son of Lord Llangattock, and noted for his recent double flight across the English channel, was killed at Bournemouth, England, at the aviation meet, in which Armstrong Drexel so distinguished himself several days ago.

The tragedy occurred in the presence of a great company of spectators, a majority of whom were women and children, and many of the personal friends of the young aviator. The Wright biplane on which he was flying fell suddenly with terrific speed from a height of 100 feet. It struck the ground close to the crowded grand stand, smashed into a tangled mass, and before the doctors and their assistants could reach the spot Rolls was dead.

The event in which Rolls was competing was for a prize for the aviator alighting nearest a given mark. The goal was directly in front of the grand stand, where the spectators were massed. He had risen to a good height and then shut off his motor and was gliding in a broad circle toward the mark.

Without warning the tail piece of the biplane snapped off. The machine gave a sudden lurch, and the framework crumpled up in the air. When it struck the ground it was smashed to splinters. The doctors found that Rolls had sustained a fractured skull. The wreck of the machine and twisted stays surrounded the body so that there was difficulty in extricating the unfortunate man.

Lord and Lady Llangattock, the parents of Rolls, narrowly escaped witnessing the catastrophe. They were yachting along the coast, and put in at Poole, near Bournemouth, intending to attend the aviation meeting, but postponed going until after noon.

Audemars, the Swiss aviator, had a close shave while making a trial flight. His monoplane overturned and descended swiftly to the ground, but he escaped without injury.

Captain Rolls had expected to come to the United States this fall to give exhibitions of flying and to compete in any meetings that might be held. After his flight of the English channel he received telegrams of congratulation from King George and Queen Mary, and was given the gold medal of the Royal Aero club, and altogether was one of the most conspicuous figures in England.

GIRL VICTIM OF 3D DEGREE METHODS

Tortured by Police to Make Her Confess Thefts.

Sixteen-year-old Annie Slakus, a physical and mental wreck, accused the police of Wilkes-Barre, Pa., of vicious third degree methods in trying to make her confess to a number of thefts. She says she was called vile names in her cell by some of the policemen and detectives, that they threatened her if she did not admit the robberies, and that the detectives visited her cell in relays to question her, abused her, called her names, and that she was dragged about by her bare arms from room to room. She admits committing several thefts, but says she confessed to more in order to escape the third degree treatment.

COAL MINE ON FIRE

Oxygen and Ammonia Used to Revive Men Overcome at Work.

Fire was discovered in one of the slopes of the Harwood Coal company, at Harwood, near Hazleton, Pa. All of the available men at the operation are fighting the flames.

A call was sent to this city for oxygen and ammonia to be used in reviving any who may be overcome. The cause of the fire has not yet been learned.

B. & O. Orders Fifty Locomotives. The Baltimore & Ohio railroad has placed an order for fifty freight locomotives, to be built by the Baldwin Locomotive works, of Philadelphia.

TAKING THE COUNT.
Johnson Standing Over Jeffries After Handing Knockout.



Photo by American Press Association.

Woman Falls in Biplane.

Baroness Delaroché, the first French woman to become an aviator, was probably fatally injured at Rheims, France, by falling from a height of more than 150 feet.

The baroness had flown around the field once at a height of 240 feet, when suddenly she appeared to become frightened and confused at the approach of two other aeroplanes. She started to descend, but lost control of the machine. The aeroplane turned over and fell like a log.

The baroness' arms and legs were broken.

The doctors, after a careful examination, declared that the baroness' skull was not fractured and that she may live.

While momentarily conscious the baroness explained that the rush of air from a motor passing over her head had frightened her, whereupon she cut the ignition and lost control of her machine.

Leap From Train Fatal.

Rev. Hugh Davies, of Wilkes-Barre, a Welsh Presbyterian pastor, who is widely known throughout the coal regions, met a tragic death at Allentown, Pa.

He was a passenger on a Jersey Central passenger train, and was presumably on his way to visit his daughter, Mrs. M. A. Davis, at Skelly, Bucks county. He should have changed cars at Bethlehem, but for some inexplicable reason he rushed to the door of the car as the train was pulling into the Allentown station and jumped off backward.

He was thrown under the train, but the wheels missed his body. The force of the fall was sufficient, however, to break his neck, and when pulled out from under the train the man was dead. He was seventy-two years old.

Mosquitoes Kill Cattle.

People in southwest Louisiana are going armed day and night against the hordes of mosquitoes that have been breeding in countless millions during the days of incessant rains.

At Bruix Bridge, Lake Charles and other towns men, women and children carry burning bushes in efforts to ward off the pests. It is necessary to smoke out stores, offices and banks before the day's work can begin.

In the marsh country of Cameron and Calcasieu parishes it is estimated that more than 5000 head of live stock have been killed as a result of mosquito bites. All lowlands in southwestern Louisiana are flooded, and these breeding places turn out new crops of mosquitoes every hour.

Heat Drives Girl to Kill Herself.

To the intensity of the heat wave is ascribed the death of Miss May Hollis, of York, Pa., who committed suicide by sending three bullets through her head. Physicians assert that the present heat wave was responsible for the act.

LUMBER TOWN SWEPT BY \$3,000,000 FIRE

1000 Buildings Burned and 5000 People Homeless.

The fire which destroyed the town of Campbellton, on the line of the Inter-Colonial railway, near Bathurst, N. B., the largest cedar shingle center in eastern America, burned 1000 buildings, made about 5000 persons homeless, and caused a financial loss of nearly \$3,000,000.

Of the entire town only seven of the houses are standing. These were located on the outskirts. There seems to have been no loss of life.

Telegraph and telephone wires between Bathurst and Campbellton are down, and all information received here was brought by train.

Practically all of the mills there were destroyed, including the big plant of the Shives Lumber company, Richard's Lumber company and the Moffatt mills. The priority of these three concerns, in which American capital was interested, was valued at \$1,000,000.

HERRMANN HEADS ELKS

Cincinnati Base Ball Magnate Chosen Grand Exalted Ruler.

August ("Garry") Herrmann, of Cincinnati, was elected grand exalted ruler of the Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks by acclamation at the first session of the grand lodge held in Detroit, Mich.

Mr. Herrmann is president of the Cincinnati base ball club of the National league and is chairman of the National Base Ball commission. He is known to base ball enthusiasts all over the country, and was the leading spirit in bringing about peace between the National and American leagues some years ago. His warm friendship for Ban Johnson, then head of the American league, enabled him to accomplish this end.

Other officers elected by acclamation were: Edward Leach, New York city, grand treasurer, and P. H. Shields, of Plattsburgh, W. Va., grand tiler.

Atlantic City was chosen for the next convention.

HEAT MAKES MAN INSANE

Crawling in Street Praying, Bread in One Hand and Rose in the Other.

His head turned by the excessive heat, Frank Vilna, of Garfield, was found in the streets at Passaic, N. J., crawling on his knees and praying with a crust of bread in one hand and a rose in the other.

He had to be lifted, still in a kneeling position, into an ambulance, and remained in that position until he was admitted to the general hospital. Physicians worked over the man diligently and have succeeded in partially relieving him of his strange mania for prayer. They hope to entirely cure him.

Boy Killed by Lightning.

In a severe electrical storm which passed over Gettysburg, Pa., Roy Stroup, a young Gettysburg boy, who had taken refuge under a tree, was instantly killed when a bolt of lightning struck in the tree's branches.

Colt Kills Farmer.

Horace Palmer, a young farmer of near Principio, Md., was kicked to death by a young colt. Several years ago Mr. Palmer's brother met a similar death on the same farm.

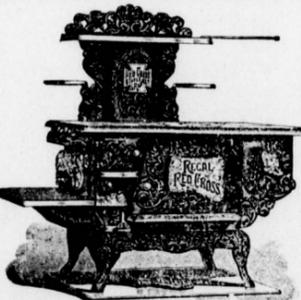
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