

PRINCIPALS AND SCENES SURROUNDING THE PLUNGE TO EARTH OF THE BERRY-MORRISON BALLOON.

BALLOON PLUNGES FROM DIZZY HEIGHT

Pilot Berry and Morrison Land in Tree in Miraculous Escape From Death.

GAS BAG RENT CAUSES FALL

Sudden Stop Makes Captain Unconscious--Snow Gathered at 12,000-Foot Altitude Revives--Story of Perilous Trip Is Told.

(Continued from First Page.) gathering fog at a speed which might have been anything from 50 to 100 miles an hour.

Gas Bag Whirls Around. The aeronauts lost all sense of direction, but they now think the balloon must just have been spinning round on its own axis--whirling, now this way, now that.

Then the balloon received an unaccountable shock. A thrill went through Mr. Morrison.

"Captain, the balloon has been struck by lightning; it is cut in two," he yelled.

"Rubbish," yelled back the captain. Instantly, the whole lower half of the balloon's envelope fell and wrapped up the two men.

In a flash the gas had escaped. Gigantic Parachute Formed. The top of the "Million Population" became a gigantic umbrella. But the enormous weight of the basket, its duffel, occupants and ballast was too much for the parachute, and it had to fall, twisting and turning as it dropped towards earth.

Such was the combined story told by Captain Berry and Mr. Morrison to an Oregonian reporter who traced the balloon to where it had found a last rest in the trees to the south of the Lindau farm, some two miles from Clarkes, Clackamas County.

News of Safety Telephoned. Early yesterday morning Mr. Lindau drove Captain Berry to Oregon City, where he telephoned to Joe Rieg, manager of the Rose Festival races, the news that his balloon was safe.

Although reporters clustered around Captain Berry he refused to make any comment of any kind, except to acknowledge his identity.

With the exception of a telephoned interview with a reporter for the Evening Telegram, who accompanied the Oregonian reporter and Joe Rieg in an automobile to Clarkes, Captain Berry denounces any other "interviews" with him as fakes pure and simple.

After the party reached the Lindau farm they had to climb through the woods to the location of the balloon.

Basket Found High in Air. The basket was still high in air, the parachute top still hanging to the treetops. Underneath was a tent and the remains of a fire with which the aeronauts had warmed their chilled bodies and passed a night.

Undoubtedly the information published in The Oregonian yesterday that farmers from the Milk Creek Canyon region had seen the balloon was authentic, although the aeronauts never saw the farmers.

George Morrison was still standing guard over the remains of the balloon. These were quickly photographed. Captain Berry and Honeywell posed in the remnants of the basket, which were taken of the parachute top of the balloon, then woodsmen were engaged to cut down the trees, to rescue the valve and to bring the basket to earth. This was done.

Half Hour Terrible. The harrowing experiences through which the two aeronauts passed cannot have lasted more than half an hour, they believe. Nevertheless the excitement and fears of a lifetime were crammed into those 30 minutes.

Both Captain Berry and Mr. Morrison believed that the bag had traveled from 50 to 100 miles from the place where Honeywell had been seen striking toward earth. As the crowd flies, the Berry balloon was about 10 miles from the Honeywell place.

It was not quite pitch dark when the basket came to rest. The sighing of the fire could be heard and to all intents the two men were in the depths of a forest.

Morrison Cares for Pilot. Had they known Mrs. Lindau, with her children, had seen the fall and had believed that a gigantic tent was descending the country, they would have struck for habitation.

All night Mr. Morrison called a hero by Captain Berry, cared for the pilot.

It was just light enough to cut brush for a fire and around this fire the men warmed their frozen limbs and dried their drenched garments on their bodies.

From remnants of the balloon they formed a tent and hung this under the basket.

"Captain, we are 100 miles from any living soul; we are lost for good," said Mr. Morrison.

Captain Berry inclined to this belief. They were entirely ignorant of their direction. They knew only that Honeywell had landed and they thought he had seen the direction in which they had gone.

Pigeons Carry Two Messages. "The Oregonian will send out a searching party for us," said the Captain.

At 8 A. M. on Sunday, June 13, the name, Mr. Morrison prepared two messages. One of these was tied to the tail feathers of each of the last two pigeons. Then the birds were released. For a moment they were stilled in the sky and like a flash they were off for Portland. One bird lost its message. The other received Friday afternoon in Portland.



He started out and finally reached the woodchopper. In his hands he had a small ax with which he had been blazing the way. "You're the man I have been looking for all day," he yelled.

Morrison Frightens Youth. Seeing Mr. Morrison with the ax and hearing this the woodcutter, who was young Wesley Lindau, fled, thinking Mr. Morrison was a maniac.

Late yesterday evening, both Captain Berry and Mr. Morrison were brought in The Oregonian car to Portland, and registered at the Perkins Hotel.

Oregonian Search Party Sent. Acting on the message that Captain Berry was injured and that with his side he was lost in the woods, a searching party was organized by The Oregonian and sent out by automobile shortly after midnight Thursday.

In view of the meager message and the possibility that Berry might be seriously injured, Dr. M. B. Marcellus consented to accompany the expedition, taking with him first aid supplies, as it was feared the condition of an injured man in a remote section might call for prompt and effective treatment.

Inquiry Leads to Trail. By making inquiry at daylight among residents of the region in which the balloon was last sighted, the trail developed rapidly for the searchers. Having learned where the balloon was seen with trailing anchor just above heavy timber and in evident distress, the searchers were on the point of penetrating Milk Creek canyon on foot, accompanied by farmers and woodsmen, when it was learned that the balloonists had made their way to safety and that Captain Berry's injuries were not serious.

Those in the party were: Dr. M. B. Marcellus, W. J. E. Vick, Captain G. A. White, C. E. Skinner, Walter Giffard, and R. W. Horn, of the Howard Automobile Company.

BASKET HALF FULL OF SNOW Amid Lightning Flashes Gale Tosses Big Balloon Like Paper. "In 330 ascents in balloons this has been the most harrowing experience I have ever had."

This from Captain John Berry, of the "Million Population" balloon, of St. Louis, in an interview yesterday with an Oregonian reporter.

"But this is what keeps life in the same. "If it were not for experiences like this ballooning would die."

Berry was most enthusiastic about the work, cool-headedness and general brain work of George Morrison, his aide.

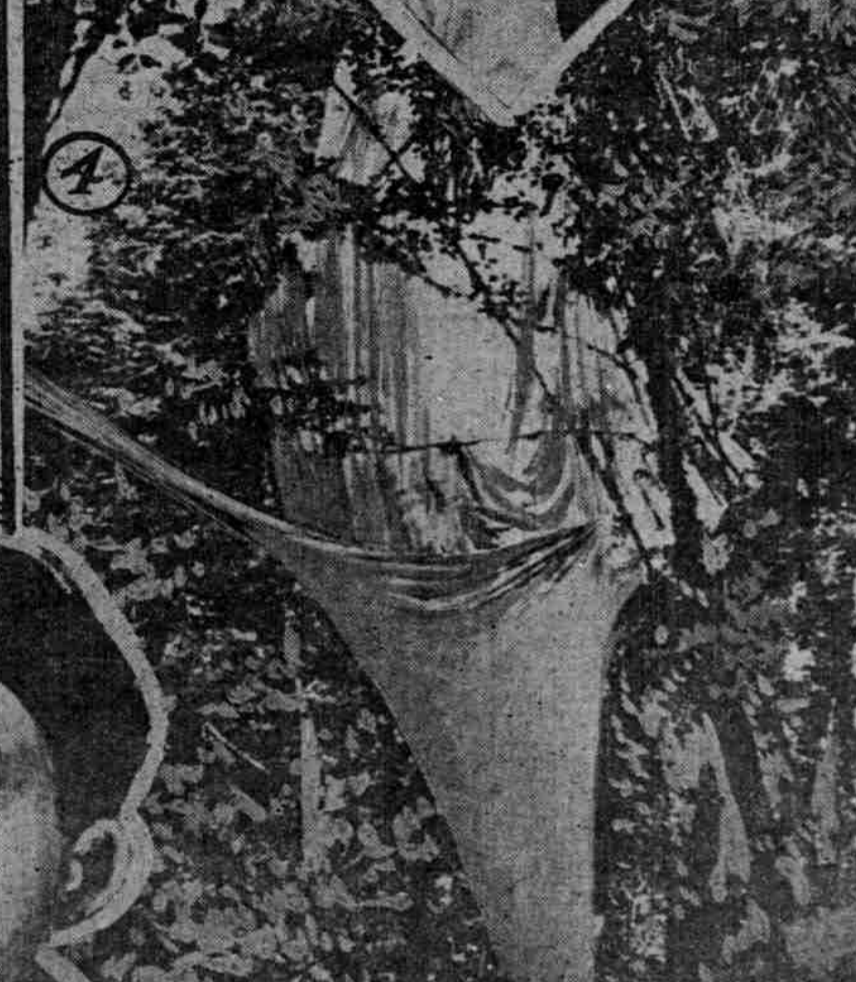
"He is a natural balloonist; a bright, clever fellow. He never lost his head. But for his care I might be in bad shape."

"At times the balloon was almost upside down. George and I had to cling like flies to the rigging. "I can only suppose it was lightning that exploded the gas in the "Million Population" and destroyed the balloon in mid-air. But you can hardly conceive of the force with which the wind was blowing. Balloonists are not supposed to feel the wind--they travel

with it. We did not feel a wind. We felt a terrible gale. "Conceive if you can the flashes of lightning, the bitter cold rain, the basket half full of snow, clouds below us and both of us tossed about like peas in a basket and you will have some conception of our plight; also you will understand we were frankly scared. "We went up fully 12,000 feet and I can't give you an idea of the time it took us to fall that distance. It was almost fractions of seconds. George just had time to throw over two lifebelts and a bundle of clothes and I to cut off some bags of sand, when I heard the swish of trees. "We're in the trees," I yelled to George. "He threw himself at the bottom of the basket and clung. I tried to do the same. Then came a jar, as the trees stopped our flight from the sky. "For me then came blackness. "I found after that Morrison had succeeded in getting up. Slowly the basket settled as the water formed on the top of the envelope and the trees gave. Morrison dropped 20 feet to earth and managed to haul the basket down lower. Then I climbed out. We built our fire and had something to eat. "Of course, I knew we were lost, so I insisted we go on half rations. George wanted to drink some of the coffee in the thermos bottle, so I gave him a sip; that was all. "I divided our rations up so that they would last 10 days at least. We had two cans of water. "I certainly did think the Lord was with us. No one who saw where we landed could think otherwise. Had we fallen the least little bit in either direction, nothing but our mangled bodies would ever have been found."

MORRISON READY TO GO AGAIN Plucky Man Admits Fright When Lightning Ruffled His Hair. Much of the credit for the safe landing of the crew of Captain John Berry's big gas bag, "Million Population," goes to George Y. Morrison, whose work was unselfish highly by Captain Berry yesterday.

Mr. Morrison is the manager of a motion picture house in Portland, and is being advised strongly by Captain Berry to take up ballooning in some form or other.



1--George Morrison on the Left and Captain Berry on the Right, Holding Fragments of Their Balloon. 2--Captain Berry. 3--Scene on the Porch of Members of the Lindau Family, Whose Members Aid the Aeronauts. Rear (From Left to Right)--Mrs. Lindau and Miss Lindau; Front Row--Paul Schiewe, Little Milton Lindau, Wesley Lindau, Beulah Lindau and Julius Schiewe. 4--Scene Showing Fragments of Balloon Envelope in Trees. 5--George Y. Morrison.

"Captain, may I go up with you, for sure, next year?" "You most certainly may," was the reply.

The next thing to trouble Mr. Morrison was his appearance. "I looked awfully smart when I started and now ( ruefully) look at me."

He was plastered with mud. He was shown the picture of his message by carrier in The Oregonian.

"That's my writing all right," he said. "Gee, we became almost famous, didn't we?"

Mr. Morrison was about as cool a young man as could be imagined. He did not hesitate to admit he was frightened when the lightning ruffled his hair.

This happened when Mr. Morrison was bracing himself between the balloon. It may be that he short-circuited the current that was playing round the balloon. He was badly shocked.

"I felt like a rocket struck coming to earth," said Morrison, "as we shot downwards. "There never was such a sensation, in fact it was all sensation. Our hands were blue with cold, our feet were wet and covered with snow, then bang went the balloon. It made no more sound than a paper bag. But we were did fall down and down and down. "But for the way the Captain cut away the ballast we should have been killed. "But, believe me, I am mighty lucky. I am just glad to be alive today. I have had an experience I shall never forget."

SAFETY OF OTHERS ASSERTED Captain Berry Says He Expects Race to Go to Donaldson. "Donaldson, Henderson, Watts and Fawcett are quite safe. I am certain that both weathered the storm which proved fatal to us."

This was the opinion of Captain John Berry last night as he was returning to Portland and before he had been informed by The Oregonian that Watts and Fawcett had landed near Cascadia.

"I think both those bags saw just the tail end of the storm," said Berry. "When last I saw them before my own troubles became too heavy, they had plenty of sand."

"The gas we got here was better than I have ever had before. "It would have carried them up easily for three nights."

Captain Berry said that the sand the aeronauts had would be sufficient to carry them over the mountains into Central Oregon.

I rather expect Donaldson to win this race," he said. "He is the youngest of the bunch. He has only just made sufficient trips for his pilot's license and luck, you know, favors the young."

When you waste today regretting the past you put a mortgage on tomorrow.

ONE BALLOON STILL MOST CAUSES FEAR

Fate of Springfield's Occupants in Doubt but Aid Cannot Be Sent.

OTHER PARTIES ARE SAFE

Captain Donaldson and Aide Henderson May Be Anywhere From Near Salem to Wild Country Extending to Cascades.

Mystery as to the fate of the four balloon parties which left Portland Thursday afternoon for a long-distance race and disappeared in the vortex of storms south and east of Oregon City as dusk fell Thursday night has been cleared up as far as three of the parties are concerned. All in these parties are safe. The members of the fourth party, Captain Donaldson and Aide Henderson, of the balloon Springfield, still are missing and great uneasiness is felt for their safety.

Captain Berry and Aide Morrison appeared at Oregon City yesterday morning, after having passed Thursday night in the woods and Friday night at a ranch ten miles east of Oregon City. Their balloon City was wrecked at 3 o'clock Thursday night in the storm which encompassed them at about 7 o'clock.

Captain Watts and Aide Fawcett, of the balloon Kansas City, struggled, weary, tired and tattered, into the McKinnon ranch near Cascadia, in southern Lincoln County, at 2:10 yesterday morning, after having made their way through ravines, forests, mountains and around precipices for 24 hours.

They made a precarious landing Friday morning, and leaving the big bag sticking up high into the air, they were ripped and other damage done, they started the long struggle to reach civilization. They were 24 hours traveling a distance of 100 miles to a ranch where they got food and shelter.

The Honeywell balloon alighted Thursday night near Beaver Creek, about very far from where Captain Berry made his landing.

Although the utmost fear is felt and expressed by all regarding the probable fate of Captain Donaldson and Aide Henderson, it has not been possible to attempt an concerted effort to extend aid, as the whereabouts of the men cannot be ascertained even approximately.

The circumstances indicate that they may be anywhere from a few miles out of Salem to the wild and unsurveyed country extending over to the Cascade Mountains near Mount Jefferson. They may have got even farther south than did Captain Watts, although this is considered highly improbable, as it is thought they would have been seen by the Watts balloon had they been up on Friday.

Watts reported last night from where he is stranded at Cascadia that he feels quite sure that the Donaldson balloon is somewhere in the Eikhorn country. That the party may have met with disaster, he says, is among the possibilities, as the wind probably drove them to approach the same direction it drove the Watts balloon, which was into a wild and dangerous section.

Balloon in Great Difficulty. Captain Watts reported that his balloon had great difficulty in the vast stretch of country which has been burned over and where burnt snags stick up high into the air. While passing over the country Friday morning early, Captain Watts says Captain Donaldson would have had great trouble in directing his balloon, unless he had been extremely careful.

The Watts party gave the last information concerning the Donaldson balloon, reporting that they sighted it at about 9:30 o'clock Thursday night north of where the Watts balloon was drifting almost on a direct course, extending three miles north of Silverton and Salem. The last heard of Donaldson before this report was the information given by Captain Honeywell who reported the balloon to be about five miles west of Beaver Creek, Clackamas County, at 7:30 o'clock Thursday night.

Drifting Steps at 10:30 P. M. At the time the Donaldson balloon was last seen by Captain Watts it was drifting in practically the same direction as the Watts balloon, which was about to have a direct course, extending three miles north of Silverton and Salem. The last heard of Donaldson before this report was the information given by Captain Honeywell who reported the balloon to be about five miles west of Beaver Creek, Clackamas County, at 7:30 o'clock Thursday night.

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League Defends Married Teachers. At the Oregon Civic League luncheon at the Multnomah yesterday a resolution was adopted requesting the Board of Education to rescind its policy of discrimination against married women teachers in the public schools. Colonel C. E. S. Wood spoke in favor of the employment of married women and Professor Morgan, of Reed College, opposed it.

Chicago Woman Comes on Visit. Mrs. Mabel Baker Layfield, of Chicago, has arrived to spend a few weeks visiting her parents, Professor L. H. Baker, principal of the Jonesmore public school, and his wife and other relatives. Mrs. Layfield is an accomplished vocalist and will sing for the pioneers next Thursday.

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LABOR CAUSE DEFINED

NOTHING ADDED TO TRUST LAW, SAYS MR. WEBB.

Provision Said to Have Been Added to Prevent Entire Exemption of Unions and Farmers.

WASHINGTON, June 13.--"There is not a provision in the anti-trust bill which can be tortured into meaning that violence, coercion or intimidation are authorized or countenanced," Representative Webb, of North Carolina, chairman of the House judiciary committee, said in a statement today regarding the House omnibus trust bill now pending in the Senate. He gave the official version of the development of the labor exemption clause.

"The framers of the Sherman law," he said, "never intended to place labor organizations and farmers' organizations under the ban of that law. The existence of a labor or farmers' union never has been unlawful and is not unlawful today, but it was desired to place in the statutory law of the country a recognition of the rights of those organizations to exist and carry out their lawful purposes."

"After the original section seven of the anti-trust bill was drawn, certain representatives of labor contended that the section did not give labor all it was entitled to and demanded that the section should provide that the anti-trust laws should not apply to labor organizations." The acceptance of this amendment would have placed labor organizations beyond the pale of the anti-trust laws entirely, which neither the President nor the members of the committee would agree to.

"We agreed to add to what we already had provided, the labor plank as adopted in the Baltimore Democratic convention, that such organizations or associations or their members should not be held illegal combinations in restraint of trade under the anti-trust laws."

"This does not give labor, farmers or fraternal organizations any more than they are entitled to under the law today, nor any more than the Federal courts throughout the country have held them entitled to. This provision will protect them from dissolution under the anti-trust laws, but does not protect them from penalties for violating the criminal laws of the country."

Orchard Companies File Papers. Lewiston Orchard Companies, No. 1 and No. 2 filed articles of incorporation with the County Clerk yesterday. No. 1 company is capitalized at \$400,000 and No. 2 at \$500,000, the shares in each case being \$10 each. The stockholders in both companies are W. F.

FIVE BONDS ARE SEVERED

Cruelty and Desertion Pleas of Complaining Wives.

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