

IN POLAR SEA SNOW STORM

Wellman Tells the Story of His Late Voyage in the Airship.

BEATEN BY STRONG WIND

Balloon Is Housed, but Another Start Will Be Made Next Year.

Berlin, Sept. 18.—Walter Wellman, head of the Wellman airship expedition, has sent the following telegram to the local papers from Tromsø:

"After the steamer Express cast off the cable the balloon America did excellently, but an increasing wind soon gave us a hard struggle and drove us toward jagged mountains near the coast, where the airship would have been destroyed if she struck. There then ensued some hard fighting between the storm and the motor. The latter triumphed. Our confidence in the America had so increased in the meantime that I gave the order to start for the north pole.

The wind, however, increased to twelve miles an hour and the snow fell so thickly that we could not see a quarter of a mile. Just then the compass failed to work, owing to defective construction. We were lost in a snowstorm above the Polar sea and threatened with destruction. After a brief deliberation we decided to try to get back to the Express to rectify our compass and start again. It was impossible, however, to keep in one direction and we were again carried into dangerous proximity to the mountains.

Valman, the engineer, then put the motor to top speed, and the America moved against the wind, which probably was blowing fifteen miles an hour. She circled three times in the teeth of the wind. We saw the Express for a moment, but immediately lost her again. We could have returned to the Express if we could have seen where to steer, but under the circumstances the only thing possible was to try to land.

"With this idea we stopped the motor and let the America drift over the glacier. At the end of Doull bay we used a trailer filled with provisions and a brake rope. Both acted well, and dragged over the ice wall 100 feet high without damage.

"After crossing the glacier we opened the valve and landed on the upper glacier, half a mile in shore. The landing was effected so successfully that material weighing nine tons descended 300 feet and touched the ice with no shock or damage whatever except several bent tubes and broken wires. Numerous delicate instruments were not injured. The self-registering barographs, metographs and manometers continued running after the landing. The mantle of the balloon can be easily repaired.

"The America was in the air three hours and covered about fifteen miles with her own power. She made three loops against the wind, proving her power and capability of being steered. The ascent was successful in every respect.

"The America is from every standpoint the strongest airship and the most durable for a long journey that ever has been built. She held the gas splendidly. Later in the same day the Express brought men and sledges from camp. The entire airship, including even a part of the gasoline, was returned to camp in three days.

"The balloon and the entire outfit have been made ready for the winter. After this successful attempt we all are convinced that we can make our way to the pole in normal summer weather. We all regard this plan as rational, practicable and feasible. The thing can be done, and what can be done shall be done."

Alliance List.

The following passengers took passage on the Alliance for Portland: J. L. Flanagan, B. J. Robinson, W. E. Lowell, Martin Lundine, Dr. A. S. Bower, E. A. May, C. E. Rowe, J. B. Grote, C. F. Grote, Geo. P. Storey, Wm. Frentzenbach, J. A. Toogood, G. S. Juvinal, W. R. Trouton, wife and two daughters, G. R. Ismore, A. W. Beed, G. H. Johnson, R. Palmer and wife, N. Carush, Fred Lee, O. P. Krauss, W. W. Carson, Otis Moore, C. R. Cleveland, S. C. Cleveland.

—Where Gascene Soap is used it becomes entirely unnecessary to add washing ammonia or sal soda to the water. Gascene does it all in hot or cold water.

—Compressed yeast at Corthell's Delicatessen.

CRANBERRIES DO WELL IN OREGON

Commercial Bodies Will Advocate Culture to Greater Extent.

The following from the Oregon Journal shows the possibilities of cranberry culture in the marshes along the coast. The Tillamook country produces well, but Coos Bay has as valuable lands, and cranberry culture is a paying industry wherever followed:

"Cranberries raised in Oregon" is the new slogan for the commercial bodies to cry out to the world at large now that the fields in Tillamook county are producing large quantities of the berries that round out the Thanksgiving dinner. B. O. Snuffer of Tillamook arrived at the Imperial hotel last night with the first box of the delicious berries picked from the marsh in Tillamook county.

Mr. Snuffer brought the berries to Portland to place on display and to allow Portlanders an opportunity to gauge the quality of the Oregon product with that of the eastern berries. Mr. Snuffer last night, in telling about the new industry said: "The vines from which these berries were picked have not been touched for eight years except to pick the berries. Because the berries require so little care and attention, the profits are very large. Not an acre from the patch these berries came from has ever produced less than 325 bushels and with care would yield 800 bushels. The berries sell for \$2 a bushel. W. C. King picked 1,000 bushels an acre from a tract he owned.

Well Adapted to Climate.
"I commenced the culture of cranberries in the spring of 1893, and find that the vines are well adapted to this climate. They grow vigorously and where the bogs are properly prepared, they are enormously productive. While picking my crop one year I measured off some ground and picked them carefully, and found that they produced at the rate of 1,000 bushels to the acre. Allowing \$1 per bushel as a net profit, I do not know of an agricultural product that will compare with it, and placing figures at a minimum.

"It costs about \$200 to prepare the ground and plant the vines, including the cost of the plants. The bog must be so situated that it can be drained off by means of ditches to the depth of at least 15 inches, and one must also have control of plenty of water for irrigation and flooding purposes. Although I have seen some marshes that were a success without any water supply, I do not consider it safe, in view of a large outlay.

"A bog once set in the proper shape will last indefinitely. The first cost, although quite large, cuts little figure in the long run.

Oregon Berries Superior.
"I find that the cranberries grown here are of a darker color than those grown in the east; those here are much superior in flavor, and also weigh more to the bushel. The size of the berry is about the same.

"According to my experience, the McFarland cranberry is the best variety for the Pacific coast. It is the largest and most prolific, a splendid keeper, and by all odds the best seller. In the east this sort is considered a poor keeper, but it appears to be better adapted to this climate, and grows to perfection here.

"I have had good success with the Cherry and Bell variety. They yield well and sell well and are of good color. Their flavor is excelled by none, and they are of good size, though not as large as the McFarland berry.

Pleasure to Pick Berries.
"The picking season is usually one of pleasure, for several reasons, to both picker and proprietor. The weather is generally fine—September and October—when men, women and children come for an outing in the cranberry fields. They come with a camping outfit, prepared to enjoy the health-giving ocean breezes, and a rest from the city and home toils.

"In picking, lines are stretched across a plot of ground three feet apart, and each picker works between the lines, the vines making a carpet upon which to work. They hang on uprights about six inches high, and are truly beautiful to look upon. The berries, a bright red color, and, in many cases three and four deep and touching each other, completely hide the vines and ground beneath.

"The pickers are given a six-quart measure, and are required to pick the berries clean, as they go. When the measure is full it is emptied into a bushel box, and when the box is full they are given a check which is good for 75 cents. Yard men are in attendance to oversee the pickers and carry away the boxes. My best pickers picked about three bushels per day. With a scoop a picker can gather 20 bushels a day.

Pests Cannot Live Here.
"In the east the vines are often infested with insect pests, and if the growers have not control of the water the whole crop is in danger. I understand that the pests have been imported here at different times in shipping plants, but they soon disappear, as they cannot live in this climate.

"There is money in the cranberry business and the many bogs of Tillamook county are waiting for men of means and energy to develop them."

Notice.

—To our patrons, commencing the first of October, 1907, all laundry work will be placed on a cash basis. Thanking you for past business and soliciting continuance of the same. Signed, Coos Bay Steam Laundry.

—Dr. J. G. Goble, the well known optician, of Medford, Ore., will visit all Coos Bay towns during Sept. For dates see this paper later.

—Read the Times, it prints all the news telegraph, local and personal.

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AMERICAN LOSES LIFE IN MEXICO

Michigan Man Murdered by Bandits and His Wife Wounded.

Laporte, Ind., Sept. 19.—A telegram received today from W. W. Furness of Furnessville, Ind., United States Consul at Guanajuato, Mexico, tells of the murder there by Mexican bandits of George Rose, an American, and the injury of his wife.

The murdered man was a son of W. A. D. Rose of Benton Harbor, Mich., and was 34 years old. He was graduated from the Michigan Agricultural college in 1896 and in 1900 was married to Miss Winifred McGrath of Salt Lake City, Utah. Mrs. Rose was also shot, but it is believed that she will recover.

INJURED HORSE BROUGHT HOME

Little Bob Wilson returned yesterday from Roseburg with Teddy, John Herron's horse that got hurt in the races there. Guy Gould thinks the colt was not so badly injured but that he will be all right again next year. It is a valuable colt and it is to be hoped that it will become all right again.

Try a Times Want ad, and be sure.

AT THE HOTELS.

Blanco—Mrs. D. L. Steele, Bandon; Z. T. Siglin, M. J. Brown, W. H. Garrison, New York; Mrs. Watson, R. C. Abbott, Seattle; Ohn Leslie, R. L. McDaniel, Medford; R. J. Macgenn, Medford; Mrs. D. Cowan and children, W. B. Clancey, Portland; Frank Sims.
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John D. Jr. Quits Job.
New York, Sept. 19.—John D. Rockefeller, Jr. will cease to be leader of the young men's Bible Class of the 5th Avenue Baptist church on October 13. Increasing demands of business and fear of a recurrence of ill health are the reasons given.

Dead Fish on Yucatan Coast.
New York, Sept. 19.—Advices received from Progresso says the entire Yucatan coast for ten miles eastward is strewn with dead fish, presumably from a sub-marine eruption.

—Dance at Sumner, October 5.

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