

'ART SMITH, DARE DEVIL AIR DEVLIL IS PROVIDER OF THRILLS

Aviator Recites His Impressions of the Frisco Exposition From Above.

HE'S AN INDIANA PRODUCT

What May Account in Part for His Aparent Recklessness in the Air? Who Knows?

By Neil Wilson. San Francisco, June 26.—A husky freeman from a bay ferryboat weakened at the moment of his greatest enjoyment, and fell on the grass in a faint. The white ambulance went clanging away with him through the crowd.

"I couldn't stand it—I just couldn't," he complained to the Helios of the ammonia bottle in the exposition hoist. He looked in a daze, and the sky looked so big.

Meanwhile the human atom continued cutting capers at a thousand feet overhead in the California air. His aeroplane was filled with smoke pots, and they left a ribbon with soft slippa in it against the sky.

These Mr. Smith of Indiana came down. The smoke ribbon was gone when his airplane hit the broad lawn, because the wind that day was shooting in through the Golden Gate at a half a mile a minute.

"Why," I asked, "do you choose to make your living in just this way?" "A fellow has to do something, when he comes from Indiana and is named Smith," he answered.

Only a few of the Panama-Pacific International Exposition authorities have fitted Mr. Smith up with a contract, and now he flies for the crowds by night and by day. He is presumably America's greatest air-devil. When he flies by he comes down with remarkable facility to the appearance of the colored roofs in the sunshine and when the flies at night he loses fire-works.

They call him "the comet" only rival, but he labors under one handicap. "These men flying over the battlefields of Europe have it all over us for opportunity," he one day lamented. "They consider themselves some better off than we. There's lots of difference between flying for your country and flying for your pocket."

BIRDMAN WHOSE FLIGHTS ARE FAMOUS



membered that I had not come there just to be an overhead tourist. "So I flew down over the heads of the people that blackens the Esplanade. I took my hands off the wheel and waved them out at my sides, and they shouted at me. I shot off again, down the length of the beach to the California building, and pulled the wheel back as far as I dared.

"I threw my shoulder to the right, and the engine described a big teeter. Then I headed down the air lane with the funny-looking, incongruous jumble of columns and minarets of the dome below me. The motor was roaring in my ear like a sputter. I pushed the wheel forward an inch or two and down to west. Then when the momentum was good and terrific I pulled her back again, and over we went like a pinwheel, with my head in the center.

"As soon as the machine righted, I took another slight swoop, pointing her down again, did a loop, and flew forward. I had to swing to the left to keep within sight of the crowd, and after the fifth loop I was looking down on Alcatraz island. I flew over it quite low. There was a coral full of government mules down there, who heard my motor and thought I was some kind of a horridly cussed and they never dreamed of. I wish you could have seen the stampees among those government mules.

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"At night Art Smith illuminates his aeroplanes with electric lamps, and as he moves about the sky he releases the shaft of a mighty search-light; and the effect is startlingly beautiful. One of the most remarkable effects of night flying occurred unexpectedly one evening, when Smith had trouble with his motor in the air and shut it off.

"No" at all. The gardens, and domes, and columns, and the wonderful colors that have been applied to those domes and walls, offer a variety of a thousand beauties. "As a matter of fact those buildings are very lofty, as buildings go—some of them 50 feet or more. But there are acres and acres of them—and from up loft they just seem to flatten right into the lawn and trees.

Exposition Roofs Declared Beautiful. "But to the architects of this exposition the golden dome of the Masonic temple, the columns and the arches and whithering top glass facades of the Tower of Jewels, are indescribably beautiful to one who looks down from the air, just as they are to one who looks down from the crest of San Francisco's surrounding hills. I speak with some authority on this point. I suppose I have seen my share of roofs.

"All this while the people were gazing up from the lawn below, I was repeating to myself: 'What a magnificent sight!'

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Former Portland Nurse Is Called Miss Sophie Danner Is Appointed by Red Cross to Service in East Prussia.

Miss Sophie Danner, a former Portland girl and now a resident of San Francisco, has been appointed a Red Cross nurse and has been directed to report to the Red Cross in East Prussia, not far from the Russian frontier.

OREGON CHILDREN SEE WONDERS OF BIG FAIR AND START FOR HOME

Nine Prize Winning Boys and Girls Leave San Francisco, Tired but Happy.

HONORS WON BY THIS CITY

Rose City Gains the Distinction of Having the Best Water and Milk Supplies.

San Francisco, June 26.—Nine Oregon school children, possibly a bit footsore, but with little heads filled with wonders, return to their homes in different parts of the state tonight.

They are youngsters whom the Industrial League of Oregon sent to the fair as a reward for excelling in farm and domestic arts. The boys won for excellence in raising farm stock and produce, while the girls won for making the best products of the kitchen.

Most of the boys and girls came from the Oregon farms. The farm leads to many things, one of which is early rising. So each morning, long before the others of the official family had arisen, nine bright and shining faces, stood on the porch of the Oregon building waiting for their conductors to take them to the next wonder of the jewel city.

The children have seen not only the fair, but also much of the surrounding country. Yesterday was spent in touring San Francisco bay, the coast, sugar cities and the government islands. On another occasion they went to the Golden Gate. The President and the city of San Francisco occupied their time on other occasions.

The party of youngsters, included the following: Francis Hawley, daughter of C. L. Hawley, one of the Oregon commissioners; Jessie Key, Perrydale; May McDonald, Dallas; Oscar Snyder, Creswell; Charles and Audrey Mayer, Brownsboro; Vernon Rains, Myrtle Creek; Kenneth Bernal, Monmouth, and Paul Jaeger, Sherwood. E. P. Charney, assistant superintendent of schools for the state of Oregon, came with the children and assisted in their entertainment here.

Murders Sentenced to Prison. Los Angeles, June 26.—(P. N. B.)—Mrs. Irene Murphy, 48, convicted of having slain her husband, William Murphy, on their small ranch near here last April, was today sentenced to two years in San Quentin prison.

OREGON EXHIBITORS WIN MANY EXPOSITION AWARDS Liberal Recognition Accorded Beaver State Exhibits in Divisions of Agriculture and Horticulture; List of Prize Winners Is Announced.

San Francisco, June 26.—The complete list of awards in the palaces of agriculture and horticulture has been announced by the exhibition authorities. The average of exhibits is so high that Oregon received 24 gold medals, the grand prize for 1914, three medals of honor and over 100 silver and bronze medals in the agricultural exhibits and won significant recognition in the horticultural exhibits.

ALIEN PROBLEM UPON COAST IS ALREADY HERE, ASSERTS DIVINE

Dr. A. J. Montgomery, Superintendent of Presbyterian Extension Discuses Case.

WAR'S END COMPLICATES

How Wilson Day Celebrated at Minneapolis—Pittsburg steel Mills Working at Big Capacity.

Declaring that the Pacific coast already has the "alien problem" developing, and that it will come to be a large and more difficult one at the conclusion of the European war, Dr. A. J. Montgomery, superintendent of the Presbyterian church extension work in this district, returned to Portland from an eastern trip Friday night.

During his trip he stopped in Chicago, his former home, and visited in Pittsburg and western Pennsylvania, where he studied the work being done by 38 Protestant denominations among the foreign born people.

Regarding business conditions, Dr. Montgomery found the steel mills in Pittsburg operating at a 90 per cent capacity, and while he was there a contract was let for the erection of a \$1,000,000 steel factory in an effort to relieve the shortage now being suffered in this country, due to the lack of importations from warring Europe.

Japan's Protest to China. Tokyo, Japan, June 26.—According to announcement made by a Japanese news agency, Japan has sent a protest to China concerning the anti-Japanese movement in the republic.

Manager Becomes Actor Once More

Carl Reiter, widely known as the general manager of the Seattle Orpheum, before it closed, has left the "front" of the house to become an actor and will be the extra attraction at the Empress all of this week.

Italy has 5,000,000 acres of grain.

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