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## 2 DARING AIRMEN FALL TO DEATH

Hoxsey and Moisant Killed  
When Machines Drop.

### DEATH WAS QUICK TO EACH

Former, Who Held Altitude Record,  
Falls at Los Angeles, and Latter  
Dies at New Orleans.

Arch Hoxsey, whose awful death by falling 600 feet in his aeroplane at the aviation meet at Los Angeles, Cal., shocked the world, will be cremated and buried in Pasadena.

Hoxsey's mother, Mrs. M. S. Hoxsey, at Pasadena, is bearing up well under the strain, but it has been decided that it would not be wise to permit her to see the horribly mangled body of her son. For this reason the body will be placed in a sealed casket and cremated immediately after the funeral services.

Hoxsey held the world's altitude record, which he won by ascending 11,474 feet, and a day later sailed majestically 4000 feet above the highest mountain in California.

When he was killed Hoxsey was returning from a trip into the clouds. He was within 600 feet of the earth, doing the spiral dip, and cheers were going up to meet the conqueror of the higher air, when his machine seemed to stop, shudder and whirl over and over to the ground. As in the New Orleans tragedy, the rear elevator, rendered useless when the momentum was gone, flipped around helplessly to aid the fated machine. Hoxsey vainly endeavored to right his craft by warping the main planes and by use of the rudder. Vain attempts, there, for before sufficient momentum was gained the frail structure crumpled upon the earth, the heavy engine being torn loose.

Only a few farm hands saw Moisant hurtle to his death, but Hoxsey's end came before the horrified gaze of thousands who had come out in the pleasant afternoon to watch the birdmen darting here and there through the air. The day's pleasure ended when an announcer, sadly lifting his megaphone, droned out the message: "Arch Hoxsey has been killed. There will be no more flying."

### Five Children Die in Burning House.

A fire that destroyed three houses in Minersville, Pa., resulted in the death of the five children of John Markasavage. They ranged in age from two months to eight years.

The infant was burned to death, while the other four were slightly burned, death having been caused by suffocation. All of the children could probably have been saved if the parents had not lost their heads in the excitement following the discovery of the fire.

They rushed out into the street, the mad clad and the wife scantily attired. Not having a perfect understanding of English, they informed volunteer rescuers that all were out of the house. When the father realized that his children were still in the house he rushed back. He was seriously burned trying to rescue them.

The fire followed the overturning of a lamp. Many of the boarders had not yet retired and easily made their escape. After the fire had been extinguished the bodies of the dead children were found cuddled up in bed as though they had never awakened after the fire started.

Besides the home of Markasavage two other buildings were burned, the home of Simon Kanipsky and that of Philip Schules.

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### ARCH HOXSEY.

Daring Aviator Was Dashed to  
Death at Los Angeles.



### Two Daring Skaters Drown.

Disregarding the warning of several spectators, seventeen-year-old John Cook, son of C. E. Cook, of Bridgeville, and eighteen-year-old Clarence Clymers, of Philadelphia, the adopted son of M. B. Waters, were drowned at Seaford, Del.

Cook, in company with George Ruos, Jr., aged sixteen years, son of Postmaster Ruos, of Bridgeville, came to Seaford for an outing. Joining Clymers, they went to Williams' dam to skate. As the lads approached the pond they were warned not to go on it, but they paid no heed to the warning.

They were several yards from shore when Ruos broke through, and Cook, going to his assistance, fell in also. Clymers, seeing their perilous position, went to their assistance, but he also broke in. Ruos was rescued, but Cook and Clymers sank from sight and did not rise again. Their bodies were found several hours later.

### Gives College to Church.

The announcement has been made in New York of the transfer of the business college at Port Arthur, Tex., to the board of education of the Methodist Episcopal church as a gift from John W. Gates.

The value of the donation is estimated at \$250,000, and the church pledges itself to raise \$50,000 within the next five years for additional building and equipment and to maintain the college.

Rev. J. W. Legrone, of Port Arthur, acting for the church, took over the property. It will be known as the Port Arthur Collegiate Institute.

### Emperor of Austria May Retire.

Archduke Franz Ferdinand for the first time represented Emperor Francis Joseph in receiving the Austro-Hungarian delegations at Budapest.

This is regarded as a step taken by the aged emperor for the purpose of preparing the country for his approaching relinquishment of the throne in favor of the heir apparent.

Speaking on behalf of the emperor, the archduke expressed satisfaction at the good relations of the country with all the powers. The monarchy, he said, would continue its efforts to maintain peace.

## KISS KILLED BRIDAL PAIR

Police Believe Poison in Chewing  
Gum Caused Death.

### SUSPECT JEALOUS WOMAN

Believe Some One Sent Poisoned Gum  
to Miss Elosser at Cumberland, Md.,  
and Death Kiss Followed.

The mystery of the death of Miss Grace Elosser, of Cumberland, Md., and Charles E. Twigg, of Cyster, W. Va., her fiance, appears as deep as it did shortly after the bodies of the couple were found on the settee in the parlor of the Elosser residence on Saturday, when the mother of the dead girl went in to speak to her.

Twigg and Miss Elosser were to have been married Sunday night. It is suspected that a jealous woman rival was the poisoner, carrying out her plot in a most crafty way.

The mystery began with the discovery on Saturday afternoon of the pretty girl and her fiance sitting together, hand in hand, on a sofa in the parlor of their home—both dead.

So swift, so instantaneous had been the action of the poison upon them that they sat as if in life.

The girl's mother went into the room, wondering only at the very long silence that she had noted between the couple. She saw her daughter and the young man sitting in apparently the most natural fashion. They were holding hands and looking into each other's eyes.

Then the mother suddenly gasped and stepped back. There was something uncanny, she saw, in the intensity of the gaze the young man and woman had fixed upon each other. There was that which gave a silent, vague alarm in the fixedness of their pose.

She spoke to them. They did not answer. She went over to them. She spoke again and received no reply. Then she put a hand on her daughter's head and spoke again.

"Grace—Grace," she said. And there was still no reply, so she gently shook her daughter by the shoulder. The mother screamed then and ran from the room. For the girl's head had lolled to a side and the other woman had seen that the girl's jaw was dropped and her eyes fixed in the piteous gaping of death.

Then when others came it was found that the man, too, was dead; that both had been suddenly and absolutely stricken. The deadliest of poisons had been the medium.

This was established by the autopsy of the coroner's physician, Dr. Thomas W. Koon. They had both taken cyanide of potassium. The man had more of the poison in his system than the girl.

In the holiday season there had been several boxes of candy in the house. But the medical examination showed conclusively that neither Miss Elosser or her fiance had eaten candy.

He had, however, in his mouth a stick of chewing gum. He had taken scarcely more than two or three bites on it. It had not been masticated into a pulp. In Miss Elosser's mouth was no chewing gum.

The strange likelihood is being considered by the authorities that the stick of chewing gum contained the deadly cyanide. Also that the young man, with the gum in his mouth, had leaned forward to kiss his sweetheart and that the kiss communicated the poison to her lips—a kiss offered in love that was deadly—the kiss of whose tragic character the ardent bestower was in all ignorance.

This is the only evidence that the authorities have so far secured to aid them in the way of solving the amazing mystery.

It has been by no means proven that the chewing gum contained the deadly poison. But it seems to be the only possible source from which the young man and his sweetheart could have taken into their systems the deadly chemical. The candy that was in the Elosser home had been partaken of by all the members of the family without ill effect. Moreover, chemical analysis showed all this confectionery to be harmless.

The tips of the tongues of both Twigg and the girl who was to have been his bride were red and inflamed, quite as if they had been burned or bitten. Cyanide, of course, takes immediate action. The mere touching of a grain of it to the tip of the tongue will cause death instantly.

### Engineer Injured at Throttle.

His skull fractured by a water plug striking him as he leaned out of his cab, Martin Diefenderfer, a Philadelphia & Reading passenger engineman, retained consciousness long enough to bring his train to a stop at the Middleport, Pa., station, a distance of 400 feet. Then he fell over unconscious, his limp body hanging from the cab.

## ANARCHISTS AT BAY DIE IN FIRE

Made Desperate Resistance  
Against London Police.

### BURNED IN THEIR FORTRESS

Cornered Murderers Battle With Police  
and Soldiers to the End Amid  
Showers of Bullets.

Fighting to the grim end against desperate odds, "Peter the Painter" and "Dutch Fritz," reputed anarchists, went to their deaths in London, England, shouting defiance to the laws.

It is believed that four companions perished with them in the flames that consumed their den in Sidney street, not far from the heart of London.

Only the charred bodies of the two desperadoes wanted for the assassination of three policemen at Houndsditch two weeks ago had been recovered.

When their house had been riddled with bullets from the guns of police and soldiers and set on fire, the trapped men clambered to the roof and there made their last stand, firing at the crowds below and jeering their assailants until the upper supports of the building gave way and the outlaws were swallowed up in the seething flames.

Such a battle between officers of the law and criminals seldom has been waged. Discovered in their hiding place, the handful of terrorists stood off two half companies of Scots Guards from the Tower of London, several detachments of armed police, a battery of horse artillery with three machine guns and a Gatling gun and a fire brigade, until their home was fired.

The authorities sought to take the men alive. It took them seven hours to get their incinerated bodies.

Throughout the fight the greatest excitement prevailed, not only in the neighborhood, but throughout the city, and it required 1500 policemen massed about the scene to keep back the immense crowds.

Detective Sergeant Leeson was shot and seriously wounded, two other officers received bullet wounds and several firemen were hurt by collapsing walls. Two soldiers and three civilians were shot. Leeson was the only one seriously wounded.

The scene of the battle was near where the burglary was attempted when three policemen were mortally wounded. The police had found the headquarters of the anarchists and, surrounding the place, planned to capture them.

Detective Sergeant Leeson was reconnoitering in the yard at the rear, when there was a flash from one of the windows, the report of a revolver broke the silence and the sergeant fell back in the arms of brother officers, with a bullet in the lungs.

Police reinforcements were rushed to the place and a rain of lead was poured into the windows of the house.

The anarchists responded and for hours the fight continued, the police being supported by the Scots Guards and artillery, though the latter did not bring their guns into play.

Soldiers were posted on the roofs of nearby buildings, and fired continuously at the anarchists, who appeared repeatedly at the windows and returned hundreds of shots.

The outlaws were armed with magazine revolvers and had a good supply of ammunition, as was shown by several explosions which marked the progress of the flames.

Piles of straw were lighted near the house, with the idea of smoking out its defenders, and it is thought likely that the flames communicated with the building.

At any rate, soon after these fires were started the house was ablaze and the anarchists driven from the top story to the roof, and finally went down in the ruins.

Only when the building collapsed did the firemen venture to enter. Then they flooded the lower floor and recovered two bodies. It is believed that other bodies will be found.

### Kills Wife, Girl and Self.

William C. Strickler shot and killed his wife and nineteen-year-old stepdaughter, Beulah Kile, at their home, 2417 East Lafayette avenue, Baltimore, Md. Strickler then fired a bullet into his own body.

Domestic trouble was given as the cause of the tragedy. Strickler was employed as a fireman at a power house.

### Steer Roping Winner.

By roping two steers in one minute nine and four-fifths seconds, Joe Gardner, of Midland, Tex., won the contest at the National Cowboys' second annual reunion. O. K. Lawrence, of Sulphur, Okla., was second, and J. E. Weir, champion of New Mexico, was third.

### WILLIAM E. COREY.

President of Steel Trust Tenders  
His Resignation.



### W. E. COREY RESIGNS

President of U. S. Steel Corporation  
Will Retire.

William Ellis Corey, president of the United States Steel Corporation since the resignation of Charles M. Schwab, the first president, seven years ago, himself tendered a formal resignation at a regular meeting of the finance committee in New York. To all intents and purposes the resignation has been accepted.

The finance committee passed upon it favorably, and it will come formally before the board of directors at their regular quarterly meeting on the 25th of the month. That they will accept it there is no doubt.

Even to some of the directors of the company Mr. Corey's resignation came as a surprise.

In 1907, when Mr. Corey married Mabelle Gilman, the actress, it was widely reported that he would be succeeded as president, and there was a faction of the board which rather openly favored his retirement. It is understood that his retirement has no relation to his domestic affairs.

### Moisant Killed at New Orleans.

All New Orleans is mourning the death of John B. Moisant, who was killed by the plunging of his Bleriot monoplane at Harahan, near there, and the body was placed in a receiving vault to await his relatives' actions. He will be buried in Chicago.

Moisant won fame at the meet at Belmont Park, N. J. Finding himself without a machine, he purchased one from a friend for \$10,000, and within ten minutes started on his winning flight around the Statue of Liberty, winning a prize of \$10,000.

Moisant's aeroplane was a Bleriot monoplane, and in addition to the heavy engine in front of the main planes, he had fastened a tank holding thirty-five gallons of gasoline. Aviation experts believe that a sudden puff of wind stopped his machine dead in the air, and the heavy weight ahead dragged the light framework behind it, flipping the then useless rear elevator toward the zenith in derision. From this position partly back of the main planes, Moisant was flipped out, clear of the machine, and struck the ground on his head, breaking his neck. He died on a flat car on which he was being taken to New Orleans.

### Bank Robbed of \$6416.

The State bank, of New Palestine, near Indianapolis, Ind., was broken into and its safe robbed of \$6416 cash. The door of the bank was opened with a skeleton key and the robbers seemed to have no trouble in working the combination of the safe.

## BANDITS HOLD UP LIMITED EXPRESS

Kill a Porter and Rob All  
Pullman Passengers.

Southern Pacific passenger train No. 1, the Overland Limited, westbound, was held up by two masked men at Reese, nine miles west of Ogden, Utah.

William Davis, a colored porter, was shot and killed by the robbers. A. W. Taylor, another porter, was seriously wounded, and three passengers, one of them a woman, were slightly hurt. All the passengers on the train, numbering twenty-seven, were robbed of their valuables and \$2000 to \$2500 in cash. After completing their work the robbers drove away in a wagon.

The robbers did not attempt to enter the express car, but devoted their entire attention to the Pullman cars, where they made a rich haul among the California bound passengers. They held the train for more than an hour while they went through the possessions of the passengers.

No passenger escaped the robbers and the trainmen also lost their money, watches and other valuables.

The killing of Davis and the wounding of Taylor were unprovoked. The two porters were in a drawing room of a Pullman, and made no move to resist when the robbers entered.

One of the robbers asked his confederate: "What will we do with them?" The reply was: "Kill them!"

Davis was shot dead and Taylor was desperately wounded.

Turning to Hancock, a brakeman, who was holding the open sack into which the robbers were putting their loot, and who was an unwilling witness to the tragedy, the murderer asked: "Did I kill them?"

"I guess you did," answered the brakeman.

Taylor credits his escape from death to his feigning death when he fell to the floor wounded in the arm.

### \$111,500,000 IS MINTED

\$105,000,000 in Gold Turned Out in  
United States in 1910.

The mints of the United States during 1910 sent out more than \$111,500,000 in coin, of which nearly \$105,000,000 was in gold.

The total coinage of silver was comparatively insignificant, it being less than \$4,000,000. Three million dollars in pennies and five-cent pieces were coined.

More than 6,000,000 pieces were coined for the Philippine Islands and nearly 1,000,000 pieces were coined on contract for Costa Rica.

### GENERAL MARKETS

PHILADELPHIA — FLOUR firm; winter clear, \$3.65@3.90; city mills, fancy, \$5.75@6.

RYE FLOUR quiet; at \$4@4.15 per barrel.

WHEAT steady; No. 2 red, new, 95½@96¼c.

CORN quiet; No. 2, 50¼@51c.

OATS steady; No. 1 white, 38@38½c; lower grades, 27¼c.

POULTRY: Live steady; hens, 15@16c; old roosters, 11@11½c. Dressed firm; turkeys, choice, 22c; choice fowls, 16c; old roosters, 11½c.

BUTTER steady; extra creamery, 31c per lb.

EGGS firm; selected, 42@44c; nearby, 37c; western, 37c.

POTATOES steady; at 58@60c per bushel.

### Live Stock Markets.

PITTSBURG (Union Stock Yards)—CATTLE higher; choice, \$6.65@6.85; prime, \$6.40@6.60.

SHEEP higher; prime wethers, \$4.25@4.50; culls and common, \$2@3; veal calves, \$9@10; lambs, \$5@5.50.

HOGS higher; prime heavies, \$8.45@8.50; mediums, \$8.50; heavy Yorkers, \$8.50@8.55; light Yorkers, \$8.65@8.70; pigs, \$8.70@8.75; roughs, \$7.70@7.75.

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