

Castle Dies in Avoiding Cadet

Famous Aviator and Dancer Killed in Texas When Machine Swerved

WAS IN FRONT SEAT
In Rear Might Have Escaped—Plane Falls to Respond

Port Worth, Texas, Feb. 15.—Capt. Vernon Castle, of the Royal Flying Corps, world-famous dancer and aviator, was killed early today in a fall from his airplane at Benbrook Field, near here where he had been stationed.

Castle, in trying to avoid a cadet swerved his machine beyond his control, fell, and was unable to right himself. The cadet was an American, but was being instructed by the British. The accident happened close by the Benbrook field. The cadet was uninjured.

Castle's plane was near the ground and he was in the front seat instructing a pupil, instead of in the rear, where the instructor usually sits. Had he occupied the rear seat he would not have been injured. When he saw the danger of a collision with the approaching plane, Castle undertook what the aviators know as an Immelman turn. The plane failed to respond. Castle never regained consciousness, but died in the field hospital twenty minutes after the fall.

Castle's pupil was R. Peters. His only injury was a black eye. Castle belonged to the Eighty-Fourth Royal Flying Corps squadron. The plane was only fifty feet above the ground and was going rapidly. The machine with which the collision was threatened was just rising.

Englishman by Birth
New York, Feb. 15.—Vernon Castle had a national reputation as a dancer. His home was here. With his wife, also a graceful dancer, he received great popularity several years ago as a teacher of modern dances. When the war broke out both of the Castles became interested in war work, and Mr. Castle took an aviator's license. He was granted an aviator's pilot license by the Aero Club of America, Feb. 9, 1916, after having made a satisfactory record in test flights at Newport News, Va. He was born in Norwich, Eng., May 3, 1887.

His right name was Vernon Byrte. Soon after receiving his aviator license he sailed from New York for England to join the British aviator service. In March of 1916 he was appointed a temporary lieutenant in the British Royal Flying Corps. Shortly later there came a report of his death while flying in France.

Won the Cross of War
Mrs. Castle, professionally known as Irene Castle, followed her husband abroad to visit him. Returning from a second visit a year later, she announced that her husband had received the Cross of War for valiant action on the western front. It was in Paris that the Castles took up dancing. It was while they were appearing in Paris that they were seen by Charles W. Dillingham, who brought them to the United States and starred them in "Watch Your Step."

Vernon Castle was the highest paid dancer in all dramatic history, according to Dillingham. During the height of the dancing craze Castle's salary averaged \$5,000 per week.

Wife Doesn't Believe News
Mrs. Vernon Castle, struggling against collapse, today refused to believe the news of her husband's death in Texas. "These reports have reached us before," Mrs. Castle said. "We have received no definite word. Until we do, nothing will be said."

Well-Known in Toronto
Capt. Vernon Castle was well-known in Toronto. He returned from the French front in April, 1917, and joined the Royal Flying Corps in Canada as an instructor. He was stationed at the flying grounds in the vicinity of Toronto until last fall.

Captain Castle was well-known in Belleville, having been attached as instructor at Mohawk Camp, near Toronto. He was in Belleville almost every day with his racing type car and on many occasions flew in his plane to Belleville. He was a familiar figure on the streets. Capt. Castle had had several narrow escapes from death or serious injury on previous occasions. Last summer he took a novice up at Camp Mohawk. The cadet became panic-stricken when the machine got 180, per pound wholesales. Fore well in to the air and ceased hold of quarters bring 16c.

the control stick. Instructional machines have a dual control system, but both controls must be free before either can be operated, and the cadet's action made it impossible for Capt. Castle to control the machine. It crashed into the foot of one of the hangars and took fire. The instructor was thrown from the machine by the force of the collision, and escaped with minor injuries. The cadet was imprisoned in his seat and was burned to death.

Death Of Mrs. Geo. A. Johnston

One of Picton's well-known citizens, in the person of Mrs. George A. Johnston, passed away on Friday morning, the 8th inst., after an attack of paralysis beginning on the 15th of December last. Mrs. Johnston was the younger daughter of the late William Williams, born in the Township of North Maryburg in 1856, living there until united in marriage with Mr. Johnston in 1885. Mr. and Mrs. Johnston lived on a farm in Hallowell till 1888, when they removed to Rochester, remaining there in business till 1897, when they returned to Picton and have resided here since.

The Late James H. Diamond

The death occurred on Tuesday morning of James H. Diamond, following an attack of blood-poisoning. The late Mr. Diamond, who was sixty-five years of age, was born in Seymour Township and spent most of his life as a farmer in that township, residing on the English Line. For several years he was a member of the Seymour Council, having been reelected for several years. He was a staunch supporter of the Independent Order of Oddfellows.

Deceased in survived by a widow and two sons: John H. Campbell, and Samuel, of Seymour; and one daughter: Mrs. Charles Hay, Campbellford.

The funeral took place Thursday afternoon under the auspices of the I.O.O.F.

Capt. McCulloch Arrives Home

Mrs. (Capt. Dr.) R. J. P. McCulloch received a message from Sherbrooke, Que., yesterday afternoon that her husband was on his way home and expected to arrive in Belleville some time today. His train was being delayed by heavy storms in the east. He had not reached home at 3 o'clock this afternoon but he was being looked for on each incoming train.

Capt. McCulloch left Belleville in July 1915 and has therefore been two and a half years overseas. He gave up his fine practice here to enlist and has since been in hospital work devoting his skill as a specialist in eye, ear and throat work to the welfare of the soldiers.

Today's Market Fairly Large

Butter Advanced to 55 cents—Hides Low Priced—Other Quotations

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Dealers state that seed prices will be very high this spring. Butter moved up to 55c, generally in usual in quantity. Eggs sold in Canada at 45c per dozen.

Potatoes were sold at \$2.90 per bushel. There were more offered than usual. Apples were also more plentiful, selling at \$1.00 per bushel. Northern Spies, Belleville, having been attached as wholesaler at \$5.50 per barrel. The outer market was quite large. Prices were on the general run about normal. Some live poultry was offered for sale. Dressed chicken sold at \$2.50 to \$3.00 per pair. Hogs are quoted at \$18.00 to \$18.25 per cwt. Hay is offering at \$12. to \$13. Lamb is scarce. It is worth 35c at per pound. Beef hind quarters are worth \$10.00 at per pound. Fore quarters bring 16c.

County Orange Lodge Meets

County L.O.L. met at Wellington on Tuesday, Feb. 5th, to transact the yearly business of the county and election of officers for the next year. Considering the heavy roads and the severe cold, a goodly number attended and were well looked after by the Wellington brethren, and all join in saying the Wellington boys are jolly good fellows. The following officers were elected for the next year:

County Master—Percy Wilson, Hillier.
County Dep. Master—Calvin Rabbie, Bloomfield.
Chaplain—Charles McFaul, Allistonville.
Rec. Secretary—Roy Williamson, Rednersville.
Fin. Secretary—Robt. Campbell, Jr., Wellington.
Treasurer—Robt. Wood, Northport.
Director of Ceremonies—Arthur Murphy, Wellington.
First Lecturer—Robt. Cammell, Mr. Wellington.
Dep. Lecturer—Wm. Carter, Wellington.
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Herb. Dempsey, Rednersville, acted as installing officer. The next annual meeting to be held at Allistonville.

Enjoyable Evening At Baptist Church

Last evening nearly 30 members of the Alpha Club, Business Men's Bible Class and Sons of England Carpet Bowling Clubs were guests of the Yokefellows' Carpet Bowling Club in a friendly game of carpet ball and bid farrow at Rev. C. G. Smith, president of the carpet bowling league, who is shortly leaving for Montreal.

After a time spent in bowling, lunch was served and speech-making indulged in. Many were the expressions of pleasure through knowing Mr. Smith and regret at his departure from our city, heard from those present as Mr. P. K. Fisher, chairman of the evening called upon the different men present for a few words, and all wished Mr. Smith God-speed and the best of success in his new field of labor.

Mr. Smith very suitably responded and in a few witty, well-chosen remarks thanked the different clubs for their good wishes and expressed his gratification in knowing that what he had tried to accomplish in introducing the game of carpet ball to the men of the different clubs had succeeded, and hoped that all were better men for having played the game. The evening closed with the National Anthem and "Auld Lang Syne."

LONSDALE RED CROSS SOCIETY

Following is the financial report of the Lonsdale Red Cross from Aug. 1st 1917 to Feb. 1st, 1918.

Aug. 1st '17 cash on hand	\$ 55.57
Donations	55.75
Collections	14.36
Sale of candy, tags, etc.	28.30
Sale of tickets on rugs	30.95
Entertainment	136.98
Total	\$321.91
Expenditures	
Yarn	\$162.72
Flannel	108.00
Flannellette	18.20
Postage	30.36
Printing	8.00
Entertainment	10.00
Sundries	2.50
Total	\$332.58
Balance Forward	\$88.33
Sent Direct to France	
130 pairs of socks	\$ 162.50
40 Xmas boxes	85.50
20 Xmas boxes to England	20.00
Sent to Headquarters	
16 day shirts	\$ 32.00
22 pairs of socks	27.50
29 suits of pyjamas	36.25
2 quilts	6.00
3 pillows and cases	2.25
Total	\$352.00

Sock Knitting Contest

Northport Willing Workers (Red Cross) entertained Solmesville Red Cross Workers at Mr. and Mrs. Melior's, Northport, parsonage, on Jan. 17th. One of the many bright ideas that was introduced was that there should be a sock knitting contest between the two branches. This was very favorably received as it was quite in keeping with the increase in production, and particularly as Solmesville and Northport are always at the front (Marsh Front), Ill. The contest was entered into with

a great deal of zeal—women knit, girls knit, boys knit, men knit. The competition was to last two weeks, and the society that had the greater number of pairs of socks was to be entertained by the other. Northport was somewhat handicapped, as the young people were practicing for an entertainment. But credit must be given to them for having the one individual who knitted the most pairs: Mrs. Mary Fleming, a lady upwards of four-score years. In the two weeks she knitted twelve pairs and looked three. There were many others who made good records in both societies. Altogether, Northport had 97 pairs of socks. But what about Solmesville? Well, Solmesville won—that's what they started out to do. They had 101 pairs. The men say, on the quiet, they're quite its over. They don't think any special ratiolng, or even good customer, is necessary when a sock-knitting contest is on.

Pen Picture of No Man's Land

There is a country, not far distant and familiar to many who walk in clock work, when we sang "Come our midst—a country across whose spaces many eyes are gazing, regretfully or longingly, at this moment—a country seldom trodden, albeit, perhaps thronged by strange ghosts—

a country as real and solid as the let's my horse and cutter, and they gave me some supper. I then hitched outside your window—yet a country, which is marked upon no published maps. It is an enormous country, is a great deal of land—women knit, girls knit, boys knit, men knit. The competition was to last two weeks, and the society that had the greater number of pairs of socks was to be entertained by the other. Northport was somewhat handicapped, as the young people were practicing for an entertainment. But credit must be given to them for having the one individual who knitted the most pairs: Mrs. Mary Fleming, a lady upwards of four-score years. In the two weeks she knitted twelve pairs and looked three. There were many others who made good records in both societies. Altogether, Northport had 97 pairs of socks. But what about Solmesville? Well, Solmesville won—that's what they started out to do. They had 101 pairs. The men say, on the quiet, they're quite its over. They don't think any special ratiolng, or even good customer, is necessary when a sock-knitting contest is on.

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The following day I went down to my father's at Morven and spent the afternoon and night, and the following morning I made my way back to Picton. Thus ended one of the most memorable watch-night and watch-day services that I ever attended.

A revival broke out in Picton after this watch-night meeting and in the course of five weeks about one hundred persons joined the Methodist church. These were the days when people seemed to pay more attention to the preaching of the Gospel and were more easily influenced by the truth than they are in these days. During the twenty months that I was on the circuit, about three hundred persons professed conversion at the various appointments.

Let me add I am reminded of that winter by the present cold weather which has lasted so long without a thaw; deep snow, intense cold, no thaw, wells went dry, creeks in some cases frozen to the bottom, some people had to melt snow to supply their cattle.

John N. Lake
Toronto, Feb. 12, 1918.

Skeletons Give Information

Fifteen human skeletons were unearthed in the Province of Kawachi, near Osaka. This is considered the birthplace of Japanese civilization. Of the relics of the Japanese stone age, discovered by Professor Okushi, nine of the skeletons were in perfect preservation, all bones being intact. It rarely happens, according to scientific records, that so many perfect skeletons are discovered in one place.

Among indications that people of that period lived on cooked food, is the fact that upper and lower teeth are evenly worn down. Decayed teeth are not found. The bony structures of the skeletons are massive, and shun bones in most cases are somewhat flat. Some of these skeletons were found in lying position, with knees drawn up. Without doubt, stonemasons advancing, saying to each other, "Some time they will have in Japan—30,000 years ago at least, with me or it doesn't look as if they were made, the excavation, could hit twice in the same place."

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Watch Night Service at Picton

1856-7 and After.

The old style watch-night meeting has nearly gone out of use. We used to meet at nine o'clock in the evening, the place being fairly full of people, and the service continued till after midnight; but now the service begins at eleven o'clock, generally, and ends of course after midnight; congregation small, and many straggling in after 11.30. I wish to give an account of a watch-night service held in Picton on the above mentioned date which began at nine o'clock, and my watching the first day of the New Year in and out. I preached first from Romans 12-1, afterwards we had a fellowship meeting and an intermission of ten minutes. Rev. J. C. Slater, the superintendent, then preached, and we had a prayer meeting at the close of his address which lasted to within about two minutes of twelve o'clock when the remaining minutes were spent in silent prayer till after the clock struck, when we sang "Come our midst—a country across whose spaces many eyes are gazing, regretfully or longingly, at this moment—a country seldom trodden, albeit, perhaps thronged by strange ghosts—

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Encouraged by the fruitful results of the faithful on Saturday, Monday found an additional bunch of volunteers. They worked hard and faithful. What they did not cut they left standing and arrived home tired and hungry. Fortunately the Fuel Controller anticipated the great as he left the drug stores, open as these brave woodmen found their faithful wives ready with liniments, hot water bottles, bandages and hot drinks. The cutting axes were laid aside for splitting time. The trees both virtues displaying results they will soon yow their yungones by putting on their spring millinery, green in color, much more becoming than any creation in Madoc's head-gear. Cheer up, boys! The Review sympathizes with you in your physical soreness, yet rejoices that you still maintain that internal energy which must make external applications. Come on, ye farmers, charge what you like for your wood—it's worth it. We cannot measure ours for its too long for the stove.—Madoc Review.

Spent Headless Days In Woods
The Fuel Controller's edict reached Madoc in spite of the fact that our Grand Trunk system has been several times temporarily hounded with the "arripe." It was received with welcome and energy quite freely. The stores closed and a hush of stillness pervaded the town. Energy, however, displayed its part most magnificently. One of our townsmen, who has worthy aspirations for the Reevesship and who did not like the idea of using electric light money for a fuel department, became a Good Samaritan. He invited his friends to meet with him in the woods on Saturday and Monday and cut wood. The idea took hold like ice-cream in summer time, but one individual thought he would rather wait till sunny June so that he could watch the mechanism of the springing life in the bush so he did not go. He preferred to be a consumer. It was rumored abroad that there must be a "catch" in the offer and this paper asked one of our leading hardware merchants if it might not be an "scheme" on the part of the hardware merchants to sell axes. This was promptly denied and an offer was made to the editor of a good outfit, but a few moments the hardware merchant exhibited to us a splendid outfit. It was as smart looking as a thoroughbred barred rock, who is conscious of being full feathered. Bootmen, gents' furnisshers, grocers, and all sorts of men agreed to go. Friday night they went to bed early, setting their alarm clocks and arranging their exterior garments so as to save time in the morning. Many promises were given so on Saturday morning a start was made. The moving picture man heard of fast work to be done and, being anxious to secure a good film, he went along full of expectation.

Saturday was stormy so only a few went, true as ever to their determination. If the reader had hunted up the absentees he would have found them warming up the largest part of their exterior, namely "the feet" by the side of a good warm stove. The movie man did not stay long with the energetics, re-watching with the excuse, "It's a poor stand seven feet high; even shorter ones are over six feet. Skeletons movements were slow. The trees were found in lying position, with knees drawn up. Without doubt, stonemasons advancing, saying to each other, "Some time they will have in Japan—30,000 years ago at least, with me or it doesn't look as if they were made, the excavation, could hit twice in the same place."

That night a tired, hungry and satisfied bunch returned home with woodmen's tales longer than fishing lines.

Sunday passed in the woods. All was still save the animals of the forest who came from far and near, from the priestly deer to Paddy, the beaver. They held a consultation—what new biped could it be that has made so ugly a stump, whilst the birds counselled and agreed that the new bird must have been a species of woodpecker now known as a Madocker.

"Over the Top"
OVER THE TOP
(By J. B. V. Coburn, Jr.)
Over the top of our soldier boys. It's easy to say it here; Easy to stay at home and trust Those that are brave and dear. How about over the top for you, Living at home secure? Earning your tea, serving the men, That's over the top for sure!

Over the top of your list of friends Over the names of all; There's more than one name at a fighting lad Gone to the country's call. Help him to carry his heavy pack. He's got enough to do; Let's back him up with a Y.M. hat. Over the top for you.

The 17-year-old chairman of the Boys' War Fund Committee, Lowell Mass. Given first in a toast at the Setting Up Meeting, Lowell, Nov. 7, 1917.

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