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Baxter H. Adams
Pioneer Curtiss Exhibition Aviator

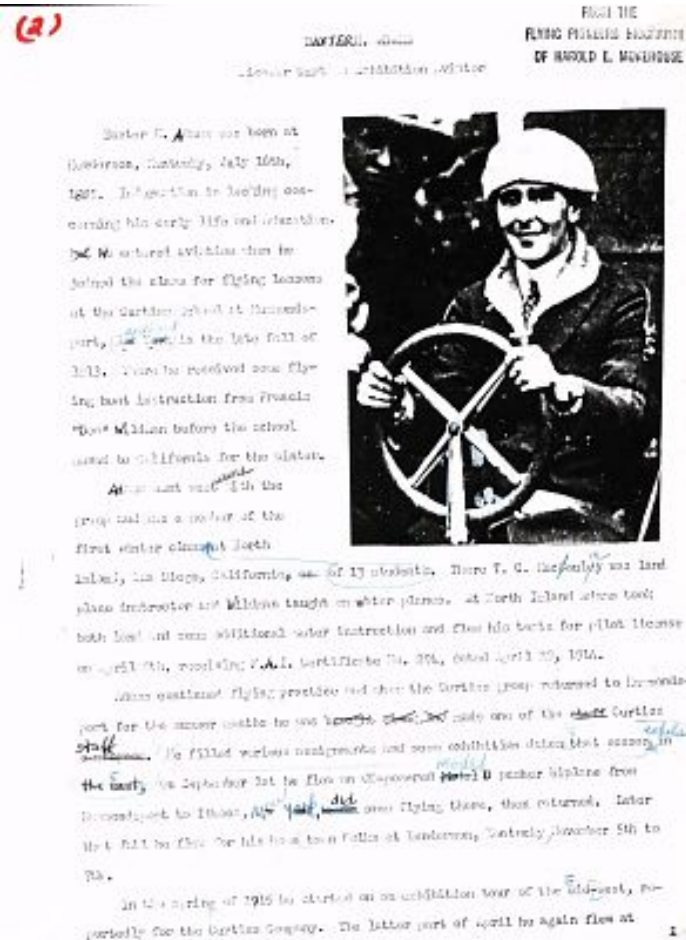
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Baxter H. Adams was born at Henderson, Kentucky, July 16th, 1885. Information is lacking concerning his early life and education. ~~[[BUT]]~~ He entered aviation when he joined the class for flying lessons at the Curtiss School at Hammondsport, ~~[[spell out]]~~ New York in the late fall of 1913. There he received some flying boat instruction from Francis "Doc" Wildman before the school moved to California for the winter.

Adams went westward with the group and was a member of the first winter class of 13 students at North Island, San Diego California ~~[[one]]~~ cross-out]]. There T.C. Maccaulay was land plane instructor and Wildman taught on water planes. At North Island Adams took both land and some additional water instruction and flew his tests for pilot license on April 8th, receiving F.A.I. Certificate No. 294, dated April 29, 1914.

Adams continued flying practice and when the Curtiss group returned to Hammond-
sport for the summer he was ~~[[brought along; and]]~~ made one of the ~~[[staff]]~~ ~~[[employees crossed-out]]~~. He filled various assignments and some exhibition dates that season, while in the East. On September 1st he flew an OX-powered ~~^~~ ~~[[Model]]~~ ~~[[crossed-out]]~~ Model ~~[[crossed-out]]~~ D pusher biplane from Hammondsport to Ithaca, New York ~~^~~ ~~[[, did]]~~ ~~[[crossed-out]]~~ to do ~~[[crossed-out]]~~ some flying there, then returned. Later that fall he flew for his hometown folks at Henderson, Kentucky, November 5th to 7th.

In the spring of 1915 he started an exhibition tour of the Midwest, reportedly for the Curtiss Company. The latter part of April he again flew at



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