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BERYL H. KENDRICK
Pioneer Sportsman Curtiss Flying Boat Pilot
[[stamp/FROM THE FLYING PIONEERS BIOGRAPHIES OF HAROLD
E. MOREHOUSE]]

[[image]]

Beryl H. Kendrick, who flew his Curtiss flying boat from Albany, N.Y., to Ocean City, Md., competing for the Curtiss Marine Flying Trophy

Beryl H. Kendrick was born in Atlantic City, New Jersey September 9, 1892. Information concerning his early life and education is lacking, but he developed an early interest in flying when several early aviators made flights at Atlantic City from 1910 through 1913, then Curtiss pilot Edwin K. Jaquith brought a Curtiss Flying Boat there in early June, 1914 and started carrying passengers at the beach. Following this Kendrick soon became determined to learn to fly and own a flying boat.

As a result he attended the Curtiss Flying School at North Island, San Diego, California during the winter of 1914-1915 where he took instruction on Curtiss flying boats from instructor Francis "Doc" Wildman. Kendrick then ordered a Curtiss boat for his own use, which was delivered to him at Atlantic City during early June, 1915, where he started carrying passengers at the beach resort. This developed into quite a business, including moonlight trips. He also entered the competition for the Curtiss Marine Trophy, an event carrying an award to the person flying a water craft the greatest distance during ten hours of any one day. On October 4th, 1915 he flew his tests for pilot license and was granted F.A.I. Hydro Certificate No. 34 at Atlantic City flying his Curtiss boat.

Kendrick attempted to win the Curtiss Trophy event on October 11th by

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