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Aviation Images Kempthorne

Photographic prints and negatives

Type	Format	Info provided	Description
Neg	Bw	"Wreck of the Curtiss Biplane after flight Strawberry Point Fair Accola No 378" written on neg	Large group of adult males gathered around plane on ground
Neg	Bw	None	Plane taking off??
Neg and print	Bw	None	Plane in air
Neg and print	Bw	"James L. Kempthorne 1 st flight 1910" on print; Bottom of neg barely visible "coming down 1 st landing"	Plane landing
Neg and print	Bw	None	Biplane on ground
Neg and print	Bw	None	Large crowd on ground surrounding plane
Neg and print	Bw	Back of print: "Curtiss Biplane and 2 Bleriot monoplanes Fig 5"	Planes and adults on ground with structures visible in background
Packaging	Paper	"Kempthorn"	Doug Endicott's photo Shop Pompano Beach, FL on front; Original Curtis Plane Film 1910; taken at the fair grounds Davenport, Iowa" on back

One is labeled "James L. Kempthorne First Flight 1910"

James Lewis Kempthorne

Born 5 Oct 1890 Pueblo, CO to Charles and Helen A. (TUCKER) KEMPTHORNE

1900 living with Charles and Helen in Pueblo

1909 has moved to Davenport and lives with mother's sister, Dr. Genevieve TUCKER, physician
 Attends Davenport High School

1909 Jun-Aug from 5,000 mile auto trip with L.E. CASCH of NY City.

1910 Census: listed in Davenport with Genevieve TUCKER

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1910 CD-Davenport: listed as "student"

1911 CD-Davenport: listed as "student"

1912 June listed as graduate of Davenport High School, Science Course

1912 August returns to Davenport after visiting in Colorado. On way to Chicago where he will accept a position with one of the automobile agencies.

1917 May residence Livingston Hall Columbia University NY

Enlists in service; Overseas Jun 13, 1918 – March 19, 1919.

1919 graduated from Columbia University per obit

1978 September 26 dies in Broward Co. FLA; obituary states "At age 18, Mr. Kempthorne and a friend built an airplane-just three years after the Wright brothers made their first flight at Kitty Hawk-then barnstormed through the Western United States with the plane, his son said."

Wife Eleanor

Son Richard, Ft. Lauderdale

Grandson James L. III, Ft. Lauderdale

Granddaughter Mrs. Ann K. Pate, Oakridge, TN

Multi-million dollar company Spraydon Corp. – Board Chairman at time of death