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THE TOLL OF THE AIR - Exclusive pictures of a
terrible tragedy of speed at Detroit.U.S.A.-

Picture.:- The start of what was meant to be a glorious triumph and ended up as the most--

--shocking tragedy in modern aviation, and one of the greatest stories ever seen in a news-reel. The tiny plane is nearly all engine, with a motor super-charged to eight hundred horse power.

Lowe Bayles is going out on his final attempt to break--

--the world's speed record, as a wedding present for the girl he was going to marry on Christmas Eve. There is premonition in the air, as Bayles is enclosed in the cockpit.

And back in Springfield, a young woman sends up a solemn prayer for the safety of the man she loves.

Swift as an arrow, the little plane gathers speed !
Faster and faster, deliberately flying low, so that the tiny machine cannot fail to record the flight. He is splitting the air at nearly five miles a minute. Think of that ! More and more speed ! Faster and faster !
Oh ! oh !

(PAUSE).

A twisted steel frame is all that is left ! That and a memory ! He gave his life--

--to bring home a prize to lay at the feet of his sweetheart.

AND SO, FOR THE PRESENT, I LEAVE YOU !