

# WALSH CELEBRATES FOURTH IN MID-AIR

## Local Aviator Makes Three Successful Flights at Imperial Beach.

Charles F. Walsh, the local aviator, celebrated the Fourth by making three successful flights at the Imperial Beach aviation camp, establishing to his own satisfaction the possibility of going aloft at any time of the day in ordinary weather.

Beginning about 2:20 o'clock yesterday afternoon, in a wind blowing twelve miles an hour, the aviator made a short start and, rising easily from the ground, passed over the entire length of the course, a distance of about 3000 feet, at a height of 25 feet. The second flight, made a few minutes after the first, began at the upper end of the course, and after flying about 1000 feet, came to the ground to test the landing qualities of his machine. From this point he again ascended and finished the flight directly in front of his tent. A crowd of between 300 and 400 people, who went to Imperial Beach to pass the holiday, flocked to Walsh's camp and witnessed the flights, greeting the aviator's efforts with cheers.

Walsh is pleased with results of his flights and announced his intention of making exhibition flights next Sunday at Coronado race track if satisfactory arrangements can be made. Today he will readjust his engine and gear to attain a propeller speed of 1300 revolutions a minute. The aviator believes this will enable him to do much better work with his machine.