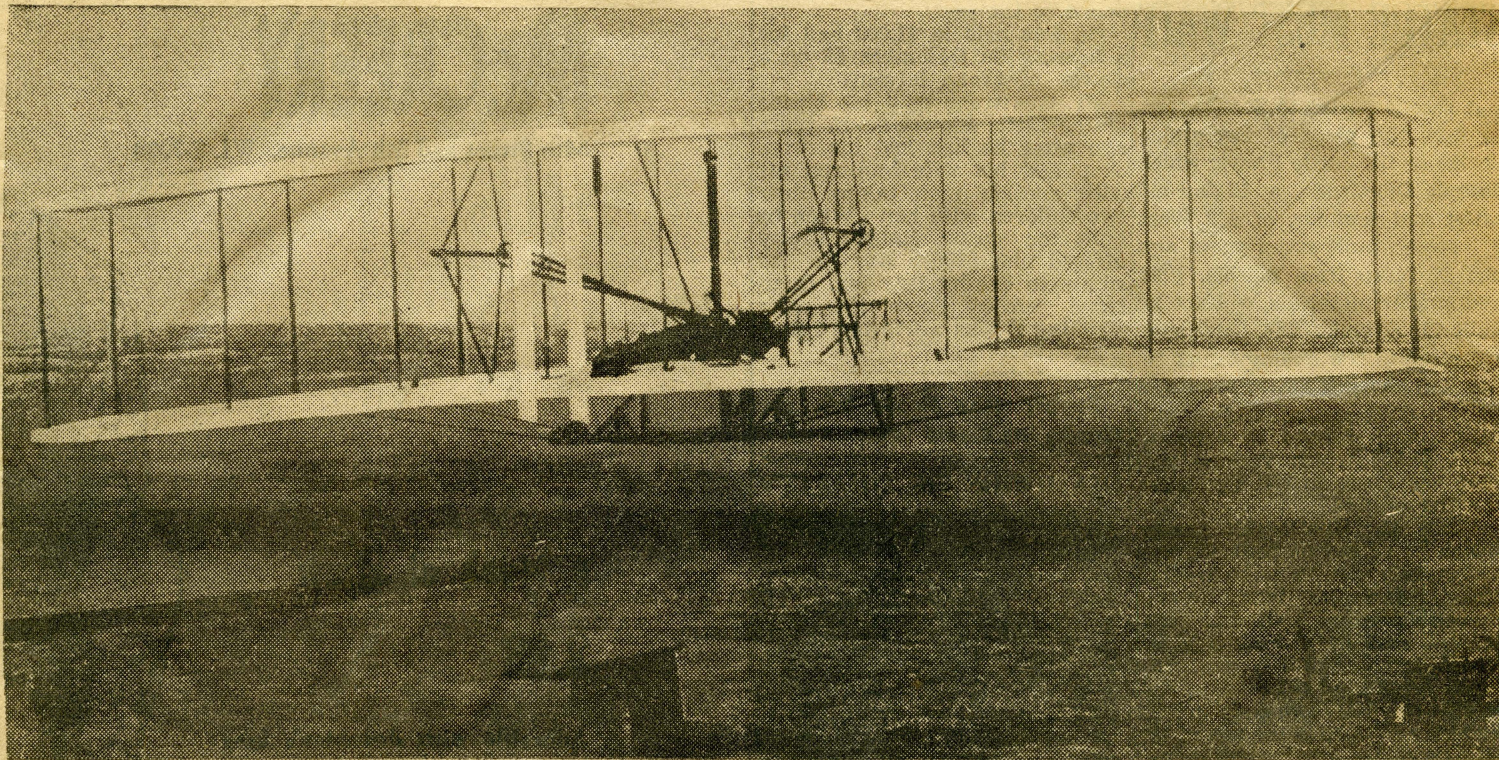


## AIRPLANE IN FIRST SUCCESSFUL FLIGHT 40 YEARS AGO



Actual photograph, taken at Kitty Hawk, N. C., on December 17, 1903, of the first successful flight of an airplane, with Orville Wright at the controls. This picture was given by Mr. Wright to the late Lieut.-Col. Sherman B. Altick, who formerly was aviation editor of The New York Sun.

## SNOW BLOCKADES KILL DEVIL HILL

Manteo, N. C., Dec. 17 (A. P.).—Kill Devil Hill, virtually isolated from the rest of the world, proceeded nevertheless today with the celebration of the fortieth anniversary of the Wright brothers' first airplane flight, even though on a sharply reduced scale. The worst snowstorm in this region in twenty-six years blanketed the highway from Elizabeth City to the island with a six-foot snow drift, making bus and automobile transportation all but impossible.

Representatives of Gov. J. M. Broughton's Kitty Hawk day committee were already here, having arrived before the storm reached its height, but other officials were kept away when planes were grounded. Likewise, members of the press and radio scheduled to arrive from the north were unable to fly to the celebration.