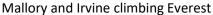


George Mallory



Andrew Irvine





The rest of the 1924 Everest Expedition



Diary of Noel Odell on June 8th, 1924:

At 12.50, there was a sudden clearing of the atmosphere, and the entire summit ridge and final peak of Everest were unveiled. My eyes became fixed on one tiny black spot silhouetted on a small snow-crest beneath a rock-step in the ridge; the black spot moved. Another black spot became apparent and moved up the snow to join the other on the crest. The first then approached the great rock-step and shortly emerged at the top; the second did likewise. Then the whole fascinating vision vanished, enveloped in cloud once more.

At 12.50 pm on June 8th, 1924, when seen for the last time by Noel Odell, Mallory and Irvine had already reached the highest altitude ever achieved by any mountaineers in the world – 8603 m. They were never seen again until the body of Mallory was discovered in 1999. Irvine has never been found.