



George Mallory



Andrew Irvine

Mallory and Irvine climbing Everest



The rest of the 1924 Everest Expedition



Diary of Noel Odell on June 8<sup>th</sup>, 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 8<sup>th</sup>, 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.