

Amundsen's Heroic Death

- * Amundsen flew on an Arctic rescue mission, to find Nobile and crew who crashed flying dirigible Italia. Search included 5 nations, 23 planes, 20 ships, dog sled teams. Movie *Red Tent* a fictionalized depiction starring Sean Connery.
- * Amundsen was killed as plane crashed into Arctic Ocean around June 18, 1928.
- * Ironically, Nobile and Amundsen were bitter enemies.
- * That same year, speaking to a journalist about his love of the icy Arctic, Amundsen said, "If only you knew how splendid it is up there, that's where I want to die."
- * Wreckage of Amundsen's plane never found despite searches using Norwegian Navy autonomous underwater vehicle Hugin 1000 in 2004 and 2009.

