

# Globe Girlders at "Jumping-Off" Point of America

### Lowell Smith Intrigues Appetites of Pals as Chief Cook With "Rare" Dish—Eggs Vienna.

Told by **LOWELL THOMAS.** (Copyright, 1924.)

"During our stay on the island of Atka, the half-way stop on our flight down the Aleutians," says Erik Nelson, "we made ourselves at home in the deserted store belonging to the trader, Mr. Goss, who spends most of his time at Dutch Harbor. We stretched some bunks across the tops of boxes, rigged up a stove and swept the floors. Lowell Smith, to whom living in the wilds was nothing new, volunteered to act as chief cook. Jack and Hank washed the dishes most of the time, relieved only by Arnold and Wade when the latter wanted to get their hands warm. My own enthusiasm took the form of a violent passion for sweeping the floor, which I did every 10 or 15 minutes.

"Smith's repertoire proved to be limited, and we usually had eggs Vienna for breakfast, lunch and dinner. This Viennese diet made some of us desperate and we started out to forage for ourselves. In the store were hundreds of cans of condensed milk, which Jack and Hank devoured like candy. They would make a few holes in the can and then sit around drinking it straight. Some of the rest of us in prying about the island discovered that the local Aleut chief had a flock of chickens which he was trying to keep hidden from us. He also had a motor boat, and by crossing the wires on the magneto we fixed it so it wouldn't work. The chief, knowing nothing about engines and suspecting that we might, begged us to fix it for him. This we did—in return for two of his chickens, which we even made him clean.

### Guard Planes Against Storms.

"Sunday, May 4, as usual it was raining, snowy and windy. We kept watching the planes all the time for fear they might get a drift. At night it was customary for us to hang lanterns on the planes so we could watch them from a window. But the first night here the sea was extremely rough and Jack and Hank met with a rather wild adventure when they went out in a rowboat to fix the lanterns.

"The planes were lined up, the Chicago closest to shore, then the Boston, and finally the New Orleans. The wind was blowing out from shore, and the boys thought their safest plan would be to row out to the New Orleans, then turn around into the wind and work back slowly to each plane. But within the space of a few seconds a willie-way came along and the wind increased in velocity from about 20 to 50 miles an hour. Not being expert oarsmen, they found it impossible to maneuver the boat. First it would dip away down into the water on one side and then on the other. They found the only way they could keep from capsizing was to pull in the oars and sit tight in the middle of the boat. In this way they were driven for a mile and a half right across the bay, where the boat smashed into the rocks in the dark. Jumping out, Jack and Hank waded in water up to their necks, pulled the battered boat onto the beach, turned it upside down, and then waded back to the shack through a driving rain-storm.

"Meanwhile, when they had not returned, and when we saw no lights burning on the planes, we became alarmed and were all out on the beach trying to find out what had happened.

### Aleuts Lazy Crew.

"At first we hired the village chief's son and his buddy to stand guard over the planes. One would stay out in the rowboat for a few hours and then the other would take his place. At any rate, that was what they were supposed to do. But at night, when they thought we wouldn't know, they would come ashore and sleep on the beach. For doing almost nothing we had to pay them \$10 a day. My bunk happened to be in the attic, and with a couple of pieces of wood I rigged up a sort of triangle thingamajig similar to what surveyors use. I had arranged the planes so that they were exactly in line, and by means of my triangle I could wake up at any hour of the night and, by merely rolling over, I could take a sight and see just whether the chief's son was on the job. I didn't trust him, so I used to wake up about every hour. Finally he and his buddy decided that this was just too hard work, anyhow.

"Just to give you an idea of how lazy these Aleuts are, Mr. Nye, the school teacher, had a cow that gave far more milk than he could ever use. So he offered it to the natives, but they were too lazy even to come and get it. We had much the same experience with them. At the bottom of our gasoline drums there was always considerable sediment, which meant that we could not use quite all of the gas in our planes. What remained would have been excellent for the chief's motor boat. But would he come and carry it away? Not on your life.

### Russians Discovered Islands.

"Two hundred years ago, when the Russians first discovered these islands and came across in search of new worlds to conquer, there were about 30,000 natives, who were great hunters and lived in peace and contentment. But the savage Russians harassed and maltreated them until today there are hardly a thousand left. Uncle Sam has treated them far better and not only has sent them school teachers but has helped them build homes.

paper what they have taken. They seem as honest as daylight.

"Almost the only trade in the islands is in fox skins. Sometimes the Aleuts get slightly bored with it and demand an advance both in wages and in return for their skins. But when they do this the traders simply raise the price of the things that the natives buy in return. So it doesn't do them any good when they do get their advance.

### Fuel for Next Jump.

"On May 5 the coast guard cutter Halda steamed in and with the help of its men and boats we fueled the planes. Captain Elwell had brought the drums of gasoline here some weeks ahead of us and stored them on the beach. It was necessary for us to take a whale boat as close in as it would go, then run planks from it to the shore, and wade in the water up to our waists in order to roll the drums down the planks. There was a stiff northeast wind blowing, and the choppy sea which would frequently break over the whaleboat and drench all of us. Being wet and cold had by now become a sort of daily habit with us.

"To our bitter disappointment, the Halda brought in no good news regarding Martin and Harvey. All they knew was that when last seen the Seattle was flying toward Black Lake and Bering sea. But we had not given up hope, because we felt that they had enough emergency rations to keep them alive for about two weeks, and we were sure that the coast of the Alaskan peninsula had not yet been thoroughly combed.

"On Tuesday, May 6," according to Les Arnold's diary, "the planes were all ready to go on to Attu, but Major Blair, on board the Elder at the latter island, reported unfavorably on the weather. So we all spent the day hunting ducks, sea crows and eagles. The ducks are so tame and so seldom hunted by the Aleuts, who won't take the trouble, the instead of flying away when we approach them in a boat they simply sit there looking at us. Not wanting to shoot them while they are on the water, because there could be no sport in that, we always frightened them off before firing.

### Eagles Prove Wary Prey.

"Hundreds of bald-headed eagles live among the mountain crags of these volcanic islands. They wheel round and round the symmetrical steaming cones and are extremely difficult to shoot. When we located one everybody in the party would blaze away at once. On one trip there were at least 30 of us out hunting. Whenever we would spot an eagle high up on a crag we would all let go with our army rifles, and then Mr. Eagle would calmly flap his wings, taxi off and land on another crag. After he got tired of playing around with us he would disappear over the volcano.

### Having the boys of the revenue cutter here makes life worth living.

"They are as fine a lot as we have ever met.

"May 9—Eggs Vienna for breakfast as usual. I doubt if there are many who have enjoyed this rare breakfast dish. The recipe, however, is a deep secret, which 'Silent' Smith has just confided to me. To prepare eggs Vienna you first bring your water to a boil, then you drop in your eggs, leave them for two minutes, and presto! you have eggs Vienna.

### Take-Off Proves Dangerous.

"We were up at dawn this morning hoping that we might be lucky enough to get a favorable weather report from Major Blair. Sure enough, at 8 the good news came through. In leaving Atka harbor we had to take off 'cross wind,' coming in toward the shore. Erik was the first to get into the air, but just as his ship left the water he saw a willie-way whirling toward him. Realizing that at that altitude it might easily dash the plane back into the water and wreck it, he attempted to turn in order to get out of its path. He avoided it partly, but it hit his tail, and as he turned the ship was settling rapidly. Fortunately, by perfect piloting, he managed to get straightened out again before hitting the water. When the New Orleans touched the waves it must have been going fully 90 miles an hour, so fast that it looked as though the waves would fairly sweep off the pontoons.

"It's at times like this, when you only escape being wrecked by the skin of your teeth, that you live a whole lifetime in the space of a few seconds. But there was one funny thing about this incident. The pontoons had been leaking, and we all of course thought that coming down on the water with such terrific speed would make them leak more than ever. 'Smiling Jack' jumped out minus his smile for once, expecting to have to start pumping water. But to his surprise as it may seem, the shock simply seemed to seal the pontoons up tighter.

### Last Stop in America.

"It was 9:15 when we all finally swung off on the long, cold 530-mile flight to Attu. On this hop we had to make two long water jumps, each of about 75 miles, excellent practice for the still longer flights over the sea which lay ahead of us. Our way across the Pacific to Japan. We were completely out of sight of land most of the time. This gave us an opportunity to check our compasses, and it was a relief to find that we never got off the course. We saw nothing but sea and deserted islands. The two oceans, the Arctic, through Bering sea, and the Pacific, came together here, and there is a separate tide from each of them. When the two tides rush ahead on into each other they create boiling cauldrons, in which almost nothing could live. We saw occasional whales, and just at 5 o'clock around the edge of a volcano over the sheltered harbor of Chigoff, the most westerly and the most remote abode of human beings under the American flag. Since leaving Seattle each town has grown smaller and smaller than the previous one, and we are all looking forward to reaching Tok.

"Attu surely looks like the end of everything. At last we have reached the final jumping off place from which we attempt for the first time to fly an airplane from America to Asia.

"Read the next installment of the thrilling round-the-world flight in The Omaha Bee tomorrow.

### Only Three Illiterates Found in Cheyenne County

Sidney, Dec. 13.—According to census taken by Professor Liebenдорfer, only three illiterates have been found in Cheyenne county.

**Monday Hour Sales**

**9 to 10 O'clock**

**\$1.45 Fry Pans 69c**  
Heavy aluminum fry pans with long handle. (Downstairs)

**38-inch Lingerie Tubing 84c**  
A tubing for dainty underthings of the better sort. (Main Floor)

**\$3 Infants' Crochet Sets \$2.00**  
Infants' crochet baby sets, values \$3.00. For one hour only. (Second Floor)

**10 to 11 O'clock**

**\$1.50 Rice Boilers 69c**  
Heavy aluminum paneled (Downstairs)

**Black Satin Duchess \$1.49**  
A good heavy quality black satin, value extraordinary. (Main Floor)

**2 to 3 O'clock**

**\$1.50 Convex Kettles 69c**  
Eight-quart convex covered kettle, paneled. (Downstairs)

**39-inch Black Satin Canton \$2.29**  
A dependable quality all silk satin canton, \$2.95 value. (Main Floor)

**3 to 4 O'clock**

**\$1.25 Electric Iron Cords 59c**  
6-ft. electric iron cords with iron connection and plug. (Downstairs)

**25c white luster vases, tea pots, candle sticks, flower baskets, sugar and creamers. Choice, 10c (Fourth Floor)**

**Little Tot's Dresses \$1.00 Ea.**  
100 little tot's and girls' dresses, sizes 2 to 5, and 7 to 12, including many serge dresses, sizes 2 to 5. Dresses in the lot worth \$2.00 to \$4.00. (Second Floor)

**Monday's Sales of Importance to Gift Buyers**

**Dresses**

That Sell in a Regular Way for \$30.00, \$35.00 to \$45.00. All Grouped in One Lot Monday, Your Choice—

**Exceptional Values \$19.75**

250 Ladies', Misses' and stout sizes and styles—bengalines, charmeuse, satins, cantons; models that are worth to \$45.00, bought at such a price concession that Monday they will be put on sale at only

**Coats**

That ordinarily sell at \$45.00 and \$50.00

These Coats Consist of Manufacturers' Samples and Floor Stocks

200 Ladies' and Misses' Winter Coats, from one of the largest coat manufacturers we know of. This lot of coats consists of samples and floor stock and were bought at a price so ridiculously low that we will sell them Monday at \$25.00.

**Your Choice \$25.**

**Monday's Underwear Sales**

**Silk Vests \$2.25**  
Silk underwear make acceptable Christmas Gifts, beautiful glove silk vests, in pink and peach.

**Silk Night Gowns \$3.50**  
Beautiful lace trimmed, silk night gowns, two different styles, one tailored and the other fancy. These are ideal for Christmas gifts.

**Lingette Princess Slips \$1.95**  
White, flesh and navy, these garments won't last long. (Second Floor)

**Mothers Can Buy Practical Gifts Here for the Boys**

**Suits for the Small Boys \$3.95**  
Oliver Twist and Middy styles, all wool jerseys, tweeds and cassimeres, very finely tailored. Sizes 2 1/2 to 10. \$5.00 to \$6.50 values.

**Boys' Fine Blouses 93c**  
Such fine makes as "Kaynee," "Puritan" and "Irwin" blouses, madras and fine percales, in neat patterns and colors. Sizes 6 to 16 years.

**Boys' Knit Ties 29c and 45c**  
Silk knit and fiber knit, in beautiful boyish patterns and colors.

**Boys' Belts 29c to \$1.00**  
Solid leather belts, initial and fancy buckles, black and brown colors. Sizes 24 to 32. (Third Floor)

**Grocery and Market Hour Sales**

**9 to 10 O'clock**

Homemade Sausage, 2 lbs. .... 35c  
Morrell's Lean Bacon, lb. .... 24 1/2c  
Choice Veal Chops, 17 1/2c  
Wilson Nut Oleomargarine, 2 lbs. for .... 45c  
Santos Coffee, 35c  
Navel Oranges, doz., 15c  
Bulk Dates, lb. .... 10c

**10 to 11 O'clock**

Fresh Pig Spareribs, 13c  
Fresh Hog Hearts, 2 lbs. for .... 15c  
Dold's Back Bacon, 22 1/2c  
Fancy Tub Creamery Butter, 38c  
Santa Clair Prunes, 3 lbs. for .... 25c

**2 to 3 O'clock**

Choice Sirloin Steak, 20c  
Fresh Cut Hamburger, 2 lbs. for .... 25c  
Armour's Star Skinned Hams, 23c  
Head Lettuce, each, 7c

**3 to 4 O'clock**

Choice Steer Shoulder Steak, 17 1/2c  
Choice Steer Pot Roast, lb. .... 12 1/2c  
Fancy Summer Sausage, lb. .... 19c  
Fresh Smoked Weiners, at .... 15c  
Anchor or Silver Nut Oleomargarine, 2 lbs., 45c  
English Walnuts, lb., 22c

**Toyland Specials**

**Snap Ball Game, 85c**  
A wonderful developer of skill and patience.

**Mechanical Toys, 49c**  
Mail-planes, Balking Jenny and Klazy Kars, at Special Prices.

**Doll Furniture, \$1.00**  
Miniature bedroom, living room and study.  
Toy Dept.—3d Floor

**Gift Rugs**

9x12 Seamless Velvet Rugs, regular price \$47.50, at. **\$32.50**  
36x63 Karnak and Sedan Wilton Rugs, regular price \$32.50, special **\$18.50**  
27x54 Wilton Rugs, good selection, regular price \$13.50, special **\$10.00**  
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**Brighten Up the Holidays With Sherwin-Williams' "Enameloid"**

The decorative enamel. A desirable, American-made enamel for painted furniture, woodwork or plaster walls.

**85c** Worth merchandise to you for this coupon, all for **30c**

One-quarter pint Enameloid ..... 35c  
One Special Enameloid Brush ..... 25c  
One De Luxe Booklet in full colors ..... 25c  
Total ..... 85c

Fourteen popular colors. Many possible color blends.

**C-O-U-P-O-N**

Name .....  
Address .....  
This offer is limited. Bring coupon at once.

**3,700 Pairs Suede Slippers**

Women's Suede Xmas Slippers, 1.45 and 1.65 value for Women and Children, in red, blue, green, pink and lavender. **98c**

**Gifts From the Hardware Dept.**

**Casseroles \$3.59**  
Heavily plated round and oval style casseroles with pyrex insets, beautifully designed.

**Pie Casseroles \$2.98**  
Heavily plated with metal handles and feet, glass insets, heat proof.

**Rochester Percolator \$9.75**  
Beautifully designed, 9-cup, electric percolators. Heavily nickel plated.

**Percolators \$1.79**  
Beautiful aluminum, colonial pattern, 9-cup.

**\$7.95 Coaster Wagons \$5.69**  
Large size, roller bearing, rubber tired, coaster wagon well constructed to stand the wear.

**Skates on Shoes \$6.98**  
Winslow best quality steel skates on shoes, all sizes, for men and women. (Downstairs)

**Toyland Specials**

**22-inch Dolls, \$1.69**  
One large lot of 22-inch jointed dolls, real hair, moving eyes.

**Mama Dolls, 98c**  
500, 16-inch unbreakable dolls, dressed in romper suits.

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**\$2.25 Pure Silk Hose \$1.68**

Extra fine quality, in all wanted colors, heavy weight silk, strictly first quality. Never sold under \$2.25.  
Box of 3 pair for \$4.50 (Main Floor)

**Grocery and Market Sales for Monday**

**Groceries**

10 cans Omaha Family Soap ..... 35c  
3 cans Nomis Corn ..... 35c  
4 lbs. Navy Beans ..... 30c  
Medium size can Log Cabin Syrup ..... 47c  
Pineapple, 2-lb. size can, sliced or grated ..... 23c  
Omar Wonder Flour, 48-lb. sack ..... \$2.10  
Diamond H. Flour, 48-lb. sack ..... \$2.00

**Market**

Choice Small Pork Chops, lb. .... 19c  
Choice Steer Round Steak, lb. .... 20c  
Rib Boiling Beef ..... 6c  
Fancy Fresh Creamery Butter ..... 38c  
Dold's Narrow Lean Bacon, lb. .... 29 1/2c  
Guaranteed Eggs, doz. 38c  
Fancy Wisconsin Brick Cheese ..... 24 1/2c

**Tea and Coffee**

M. & J. Blend Coffee, 48c  
2 lbs. for ..... 95c  
Excella Brand Coffee, 40c  
Hayden's Special Ankola, lb. .... 55c  
Fancy English Breakfast Tea ..... 60c  
2 lbs. for ..... \$1.10  
Breakfast Cocoa ..... 10c  
3 lbs. for ..... 25c

**Fruits and Vegetables**

Santa Clara Prunes, lb. .... 12 1/2c  
Fancy Sultana Raisins, lb. .... 22c  
Evaporated Apricots, lb. .... 20c  
English Walnut Meats, lb. .... 75c  
Fancy Comb Honey, per comb ..... 17 1/2c  
Evaporated Peaches, lb. .... 25c  
Mince Meat, 32-oz. jar, very special ..... 39c  
Mixed Nuts for Christmas, lb. .... 22c  
Fancy Brazil Nuts, lb. 25c  
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Fancy Tail Figs, lb. 25c  
Fancy Bulk Dates, lb. .... 12 1/2c  
3 pkgs. California Figs, for ..... 25c  
Fancy Cleaned Currents, lb. .... 25c  
Thompson Seedless Raisins, lb. .... 12 1/2c  
Fancy Head Lettuce, 10c  
Fancy Green Peppers, lb. .... 30c  
Fancy Sweet Potatoes, lb. .... 8 1/2c  
Fresh Carrots, bunch, 15c  
Extra Large Bunches Radishes, each 8 1/2c  
Beets or Turnips, 2 lbs. for ..... 5c

**Give Linens for Gifts**

Pure Linen Pattern Table Cloth, size 2x2 yards, values up to \$7.50. Choose from the lot, each **\$4.95**  
Embroidered End Huck Towels, 18x34, each, 50c  
Fancy Colored Hemstitched Ends, warranted pure linen weft.  
Novelty Pillow Cases, per pair ..... \$1.69  
Fruit of the Loom Sheeting, Inset of filet with edging of superior quality lace.  
Embroidered Scarfs and Center Pieces, eoru color, scallop edges, beautiful embroidered in colors. Strictly washable, each ..... \$1.00  
Novelty Bath Sets, boxed, each ..... \$1.00  
Gold, blue, rose towels and face cloths to match. (Main Floor)

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M. & J. Blend Coffee, 48c  
2 lbs. for ..... 95c  
Excella Brand Coffee, 40c  
Hayden's Special Ankola, lb. .... 55c  
Fancy English Breakfast Tea ..... 60c  
2 lbs. for ..... \$1.10  
Breakfast Cocoa ..... 10c  
3 lbs. for ..... 25c

**Fruits and Vegetables**

Santa Clara Prunes, lb. .... 12 1/2c  
Fancy Sultana Raisins, lb. .... 22c  
Evaporated Apricots, lb. .... 20c  
English Walnut Meats, lb. .... 75c  
Fancy Comb Honey, per comb ..... 17 1/2c  
Evaporated Peaches, lb. .... 25c  
Mince Meat, 32-oz. jar, very special ..... 39c  
Mixed Nuts for Christmas, lb. .... 22c  
Fancy Brazil Nuts, lb. 25c  
English Walnuts, lb. 25c  
Fancy Tail Figs, lb. 25c  
Fancy Bulk Dates, lb. .... 12 1/2c  
3 pkgs. California Figs, for ..... 25c  
Fancy Cleaned Currents, lb. .... 25c  
Thompson Seedless Raisins, lb. .... 12 1/2c  
Fancy Head Lettuce, 10c  
Fancy Green Peppers, lb. .... 30c  
Fancy Sweet Potatoes, lb. .... 8 1/2c  
Fresh Carrots, bunch, 15c  
Extra Large Bunches Radishes, each 8 1/2c  
Beets or Turnips, 2 lbs. for ..... 5c

**Give Linens for Gifts**

Pure Linen Pattern Table Cloth, size 2x2 yards, values up to \$7.50. Choose from the lot, each **\$4.95**  
Embroidered End Huck Towels, 18x34, each, 50c  
Fancy Colored Hemstitched Ends, warranted pure linen weft.  
Novelty Pillow Cases, per pair ..... \$1.69  
Fruit of the Loom Sheeting, Inset of filet with edging of superior quality lace.  
Embroidered Scarfs and Center Pieces, eoru color, scallop edges, beautiful embroidered in colors. Strictly washable, each ..... \$1.00  
Novelty Bath Sets, boxed, each ..... \$1.00  
Gold, blue, rose towels and face cloths to match. (Main Floor)

**Grocery and Market Sales for Monday**

**Groceries**

10 cans Omaha Family Soap ..... 35c  
3 cans Nomis Corn ..... 35c  
4 lbs. Navy Beans ..... 30c  
Medium size can Log Cabin Syrup ..... 47c  
Pineapple, 2-lb. size can, sliced or grated ..... 23c  
Omar Wonder Flour, 48-lb. sack ..... \$2.10  
Diamond H. Flour, 48-lb. sack ..... \$2.00

**Market**

Choice Small Pork Chops, lb. .... 19c  
Choice Steer Round Steak, lb. .... 20c  
Rib Boiling Beef ..... 6c  
Fancy Fresh Creamery Butter ..... 38c  
Dold's Narrow Lean Bacon, lb. .... 29 1/2c  
Guaranteed Eggs, doz. 38c  
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