

# ZEPPELIN SINKS BRITISH WARSHIP?

## Commander of Airship Asserts Bomb Sunk Vessel on River Thames.

### DESCRIBES RAIDS ON LONDON

(Correspondence of the Associated Press.)

BERLIN, Sept. 25.—Lieutenant Peterson, German navy, one of the few German officers who have repeatedly visited London since the outbreak of the war, is visiting Berlin, where a correspondent of the Associated Press had an opportunity to have a conversation with him upon his impressions of the British metropolis.

Lieutenant Peterson, a young, beardless, smiling Westphalian, is neither secret service officer nor returned prisoner of war, but one of the senior officers in the German navy's aerial fleet and his visits have been made in command of one of the naval Zeppelins which have kept London in semi-darkness and apprehension since the opening of the aerial raid campaign. He refutes the reassuring reports given out by the English as to the small effects of the bomb-dropping campaign.

Evidence of Accomplishment. Mr. Balfour says that the destructive effect of the air raiders has been small, almost insignificant, from a military point of view, and that we are unable to see what we accomplish. "We see and know better when we see a big factory under us collapse after an explosion, or when we drop a fire bomb upon the London docks or adjoining storehouses and see these burst into bright flames, we know that we are accomplishing something."

"We cruise normally at great heights, but with good glasses we can see things very plainly. In a great city like London, particularly for one who has not visited it in peace times, it is of course impossible to say definitely that one has hit this or that particular building, dock or storehouse, but we can identify very well the general locality, particularly of such regions as the dock district along the river or the city and banking district of London and find our way easily to the spots selected for our attacks."

Warship Destroyed. "On one of our visits, and this is a fact that has not been admitted by the British admiralty, we witnessed clearly the destruction of a warship on the Thames, one on which a fair and square hit was scored. On another occasion I dropped a bomb squarely on a fort. I could not tell precisely the effect caused, but from the fact that the guns of the fort, which had previously been conducting a vigorous bombardment of the Zeppelin squadron, suddenly ceased fire and that the searchlight which had been playing upon us went out after a flash of flame and a heavy explosion, I concluded that the damage had been a very heavy, perhaps a magazine explosion."

Attacks on warships at sea, said Lieutenant Peterson, are difficult and dangerous except in cloudy weather, since most of the warships now are equipped with anti-balloon guns. Only when low-hanging clouds permit the dirigibles to swoop down upon the warship to an elevation from which the quickly maneuvering ship offers a fair target, do such attacks offer a reasonable chance of success.

British Do Little. Returning to the subject of attacks against London, Lieutenant Peterson was questioned about the value and effect of the defensive measures against the dirigibles—anti-balloon guns, fire, searchlights and hostile aeroplanes. Of these he attached importance only to artillery fire supported by searchlights and even in this line, he said, the British had been able to do little against the raids.

The searchlights, of course, pick us up now and then, but it is very difficult to hold a Zeppelin long in view, owing to clouds and the changes in direction, speed and altitude, which we can make quickly, and it is still more difficult for guns to get our range in the darkness under these circumstances.

As to the attacks by aeroplanes, mentioned a number of times in press dispatches, the commander relegated these to the realm of fables. He had not known of an attack of this kind in any of the raids upon England, nor had he ever seen a hostile aeroplane in any of his various excursions thither. Aeroplanes can with difficulty navigate in the darkness and have very little chance of finding or catching one of the high-speed Zeppelins, so that the dirigibles had as yet no occasion to use the defensive armament which they carry to drive away these wasps of the air.

Must Cross in Darkness. Navigation for the Zeppelins, too, is by no means as yet an exact science. The trips must be timed so as to cross the English coast in the darkness, make the attack and get away again before dawn.

"It is not so easy to find England," he said. "We cannot navigate so exactly at sea as overland, owing to the uncertainty of the air currents, absence of landmarks, etc., so that it is usually an open question at just what point of the British coast we shall bring up. Once there, however, after we have confirmation of the coast, we have the outlines of some coast city that gives us our bearings and we can steer a straight course for our objective."

"We can easily tell by just what route we are entering London. Last time I went in from the Surrey side and navigated without difficulty to the dock region, which we had been ordered to attack. Others of the squadron went to the city district and found it, too."

South Dakota Cash on Hand. PIERCE, S. D., Oct. 15.—Special.—The state treasury is again registering war-risks for a few days until the returns are received from the October call for axes, this after paying cash for practically all this year. The showing of the state funds at the close of business September 30 was: Cash in all funds, \$66,000; in the twine plant fund \$25,000; common school income, \$12,000; game, \$7,000; county agricultural, \$1,000.

Apartments, flats, houses and cottages can be rented quickly and cheaply by a Bee "For Rent."

Koren on Prison Commission. WASHINGTON, Oct. 15.—President Wilson today appointed John Koren of Massachusetts as a member of the International Prison commission.

# From Our Near Neighbors

## Weeping Water.

Born—To Mr. and Mrs. C. H. Gibson Tuesday, October 12, a boy.  
Mr. and Mrs. Wallace Phillip leave Monday on a trip to California.  
Miss Rose Anderson visited with her friend, Miss Iva Smoot, at Avoca Sunday.  
Mrs. George Buell of Murdock was here Friday to see Mrs. Mary Pool, who is ill in health.  
Mrs. C. B. Kugler has gone to Culbertson, Neb., to spend several weeks with her parents.  
Mr. and Mrs. Charles Ogan have moved back here from Lyons, Neb., where they have been for several months.  
Mr. and Mrs. Theodore Davis left Saturday in their auto for a visit with relatives in the vicinity of Auburn.

George Olive is able to be out again after being in bed for several days with a severe attack of rheumatism.  
E. L. Lowler and son Arley were on the Omaha market Wednesday looking for a place to build their farm here.  
S. W. Orton returned Wednesday from a business trip to Dundee county, Nebraska, and Cheyenne county, Kansas.  
Henry Jorgensen has bought the residence property of Mrs. Ella R. Lewton and will move his father and mother here from Avoca.

## Bennington.

Henry Plant has been visiting relatives in Kansas during the last week.  
Mrs. William Steber and children left Monday for their home in Oklahoma City.  
Mrs. Charles Grau and daughter, Florence, were Omaha visitors on Wednesday.  
Mr. and Mrs. Chris Bachus entertained a number of relatives at their home last Sunday in honor of their thirtieth wedding anniversary.  
Mr. and Mrs. Gus Timm, who recently moved into their new farm residence, were pleasantly surprised by a party of friends last Saturday evening.  
A number of little girls were invited to the home of Postmaster Kirschner last Saturday afternoon to help little Marguerite celebrate her sixth birthday.

Several of the young people are preparing for a play to be given at Otis hall in the near future. The proceeds will be for the benefit of St. John's Lutheran church.

## Elkhorn.

Mrs. Charles Witte spent the week at Osmond with relatives.  
Mr. and Mrs. J. N. Wyatt and daughter drove to Omaha Tuesday.  
J. G. Seelus and brother Charles autoed to Scottsbluff returning Sunday.  
Mr. and Mrs. William Winterburn entertained for the latter's birthday Friday.

Mr. and Mrs. A. E. Chamberlin entertained friends from Fairbury Sunday and Monday.  
Otto Schurman, president of the State Bank of Elkhorn, and George Staats of Fremont were callers here Wednesday.  
Meyers Bros. of Waterloo are busy laying sidewalks and cement floors in various buildings in and around Elkhorn.  
H. A. Nite will soon begin the erection of a new concrete implement house on the farm where the old one burned a year ago.

Miss Hilda Meyer entertained a party of young women Monday afternoon in honor of her friend, Miss Kahler of Iowa.  
Mr. Schneider of Ewing came Wednesday to join his wife, who has been here the last week visiting her parents, Mr. and Mrs. A. J. Deerson.  
Mrs. Mike entertained the ladies' Kensington Wednesday. She was assisted in serving a dainty lunch by her daughters, Misses Pauline and Rose.  
Friends of August Bierbach were sorry to learn he went to Omaha, Thursday to have his arm amputated. He has suffered with pain for several months and supposed it was rheumatism, but now believes the bone is affected.

## Avoca.

Asa J. Johnson and family spent Sunday with Omaha relatives.  
Mr. and Mrs. Louis Weber of Cook spent Sunday in this city.  
Alce Francis and wife were here from Dunbar Tuesday.  
Avoca has contracted for their first Chautauque for next season.  
Mr. and Mrs. George Campbell were at Osceola Saturday to visit relatives.  
Mrs. Fred Betts has returned from a visit with relatives at Royal and Neligh.  
Henry Hume and William C. Peller, sr., left the first of the week for Oklahoma.  
Herbert Pate left Monday for Mitchell, Neb., where he will work in the best fields.

Miss Eda Marquardt, county superintendent, was over from Plattsmouth this week.  
The Rev. A. E. Bashford has been at Albion attending the Congregational conference.  
Mr. and Mrs. H. H. Marquardt are the happy parents of a baby boy born last Sunday.  
J. B. Frey and family were here from rural this week visiting relatives and friends.  
Mrs. P. Nutsman and daughter, Miss Eda, are spending the week with relatives at Blair.  
Mrs. J. H. Smith and daughter, Lena, of Tutan, were visiting relatives here the first of the week.  
Frank Dohney and daughter, Mrs. J. C. Ingles of Stuart, were visiting Avoca this week.  
Miss Rosa Anderson was here from Weeping Water over Sunday, the guest of Miss Iva Smoot.  
G. D. Maseman and wife and J. C. Zimmerman and family were at Omaha Tuesday and Wednesday.  
Mr. and Mrs. W. A. Hollenberger and John Weaver and family spent Sunday with friends near Fairbury.  
L. A. Oelkers and sister, Miss Tina, were at Smithfield this week attending the wedding of a relative.  
E. G. Spencer and family were here from Talmage Sunday for a visit with the family of B. C. Marquardt.

## Irvington.

Chris Dein left Monday for a week's visit in Pierce.  
Ralph Noyce of Crete visited at the Brewster home last week.  
Miss Tony Synovec of Pierce visited at the Dein home last week.  
Mr. and Mrs. Oleen and family of

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## Ashland, Neb., visited at the Sundall home Sunday.

Mrs. Hanna Pamp visited her sister at Logan, Ia., Saturday and Sunday.  
Mrs. Louise of Sharon is visiting at the home of her daughter, Mrs. Hackman.  
Mr. and Mrs. Larson of Benson and Mrs. Clausen of Logan, Ia., visited at the Pamp home Monday.  
Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Hall and Mr. and Mrs. Ed Magee visited at the Albert Christopher home Sunday.  
Mr. and Mrs. Alan Hazard and Mr. and Mrs. George Hazard were entertained at the Jacobson home Sunday.  
Mrs. John Hunter and Miss Tony Synovec of Pierce and Mrs. John Mullen of Omaha were entertained at the Dein home Sunday.

A surprise party was given at the Dein home in honor of Chris Dein's twenty-first birthday. More than twenty-five were present.  
Mr. and Mrs. Fred Paulsen and family of Benson, Mr. and Mrs. Larson, Mrs. Christensen and Charley and Dora Christensen were entertained at the Rasmussen home Sunday.

## Valley.

Mrs. W. S. Eddy was an Omaha visitor Thursday.  
Mrs. N. Barnes of Lincoln is visiting her parents, Mr. and Mrs. W. G. Whitmore.  
Mrs. C. B. Nichols returned Wednesday for a short visit with her sister in South Dakota.  
Mrs. Archer and son, Joe Archer, were the week-end guest of Mr. and Mrs. W. S. Eddy.  
Mrs. Charles Webb gave a very enjoyable "at home" Wednesday afternoon at her home in honor of her sister, Mrs. Barnes, of Lincoln.

"Busy Bee" held their regular meeting Wednesday afternoon at the Presbyterian church. Mrs. Charles Blomquist served the lunch.  
John Lentel was given a pleasant surprise Wednesday evening, when his brother, Ernest, and his bride of Woolsey, Kan. arrived for a visit.

The regular monthly meeting of the Ladies' Aid was held at the home of Rev. and Mrs. McAllister Wednesday afternoon. Mrs. McAllister was assisted by Mrs. J. B. Kennedy in serving.  
Mr. and Mrs. Anton Blomquist, Mrs. Ponts and Administrator J. S. Kennedy have been in Omaha settling the estate of George Ponts. Anton Blomquist bought the farm at \$1250 per acre.

Mr. and Mrs. Lawrence Coy returned Wednesday evening from their wedding trip in Boston and other eastern cities. The Valley band gave them a serenade and were entertained at the home of Mr. and Mrs. C. H. Coy.

The members of the Kensington club opened their meetings with a hike and picnic roast Thursday evening. The following were the members: Misses Wainita Cook, Pearl Hanna, Irene Brown, Orpha Elaine, Ethel Ehnke, Hope Muts, Gertrude Ingram, May Nichols and Lillian Morrow.  
The regular meeting of the Woman's club was held Friday afternoon at the home of Mrs. Coy. Mrs. Adams gave a report of the State Federation meeting at Norfolk. Mrs. Eberhart a biography of Haydn; Mabel Johnson rendered an instrumental selection from Haydn and Mrs. A. C. Hibbard a paper on the "Physical Regions of Nebraska."

## Papillion.

Mrs. J. H. McCarthy of Omaha visited friend here Monday.  
Miss Alice Bossard visited Saturday and Sunday with friends at Fremont.  
Miss Margaret Sweetman of Omaha was a Sunday guest of the C. S. West family.  
Mrs. R. B. Armstrong has returned from Omaha, where she has been in one of the hospitals taking treatment.  
Mrs. J. M. Brunner and Miss Mildred Brunner of Elkhorn are spending a few days at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Frank Roach.  
Mr. and Mrs. Robert Beer and two sons of Geneva visited Papillion Tuesday.  
The Epworth league and the Christian Endeavor will have a union meeting at the Presbyterian church Sunday evening, 8 P. M. Nickerson and H. A. Collins are leaders.  
Mrs. C. D. Brown entertained the Woman's club Wednesday afternoon. Miss Edna Wilson led the session on "Standard Oratorics," which was illustrated by selections on the Victoria. Miss Ida Erickson gave a splendid report of part of the Norfolk convention.

## Bellevue.

Mary Bellevue people continue to attend the Sunday meetings.  
Mrs. Charles E. Patrick entertained the senior class of the college Monday evening.  
James Short has moved his grocery from the postoffice building to the Interurban station.  
James Pearson has returned to take up his residence in Bellevue after an absence of a year at Kearney.  
Albert Schaefer, aged 16, who broke his collarbone in a game of football early in the week, is rapidly improving.  
Mrs. J. A. Heinzman, Fort Morgan,

Celo, left for her home Thursday, after visiting Mrs. Charles A. Mitchell.  
Mrs. A. A. Mitchell of Coon Rapids, Ia., and Mrs. Margaret Tody of North Bend are visiting Mrs. Charles A. Mitchell.  
Many signers were secured for the proposed amendment to make Nebraska dry, when petitions were circulated in the

new Presbyterian church last Sunday morning. Petitions have also been circulated about town this week.  
Prof. M. M. Patterson, superintendent of schools, is moving into his new home this week, and W. N. Paxton is moving into the house formerly occupied by Mr. Patterson.

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