

World Fliers Hit Blinding Fog on Trip to Alaska

Officers' Wives Christen Ships at Seattle Just Before Hop-off From American Shore.

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The most impressive ceremony prior to the final departure of the world fliers was the christening of the cruisers. General Patrick had issued instructions that the beverages used should be in accordance with the "spirit of the times."

So New Orleans had sent a special bottle taken from where the Mississippi flows into the Gulf of Mexico. The Boston was christened with water that the citizens of the Hih had dipped from the Atlantic ocean. A nonrefillable stoup of aqua pura was drawn with due ceremony from Lake Michigan and with it the ship was christened that was to bring still greater international renown to the city of Chicago. While the flagship Seattle was, of course, christened with waters from Lake Washington, on whose shores the ceremony took place.

Officers' Wives Christen Ships.
To Mrs. David Whitcomb, jr., wife of the president of the local chamber of commerce, went the honor of baptizing Major Martin's cruiser Seattle. The wife of Capt. Car Connell of the United States air service shattered the flask of water from Lake Michigan over the Chicago. Mrs. The Boston and New Orleans were christened by the wives of two other air service fliers, Maj. M. F. Harmon and Lieut. T. J. Koenig.

Huge bouquets of flowers were placed with ceremony on the world cruisers, and the name of each was printed in four-inch block letters on each side of the cowering under the exhaust.

The Hopoff for Alaska.
Two hours before dawn, the morning of April 6, 1924, the world fliers were on their way from Seattle to Sand Point field to climb aboard their aerial cruisers and fly north toward the land of the midnight sun. Tens of thousands of folk-crazed argonauts had taken that same route to Alaska, but never before had any one attempted to voyage up the famous "inside passage" by airplane.

At 8:47 a. m. they taxied out over the waters of Lake Washington, circled around once to gain altitude, and then headed toward Puget sound on their way to the land of totem poles, Eskimos, volcanoes, and caribou.

"Land where the mountains are nameless, And the rivers run God only knows where. Where there are lives that are bring and airmen, And the birds that hang by a hair," Lieut. Les Arnold and Jack Harding

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both kept diaries of this part of the flight and in them recorded the emotions that swept over them as they got their last glimpse of the United States dropping away behind them. Sitting in the rear cockpits of their respective world cruisers, both jotted down the thoughts that sped through their minds as they flew north toward the polar rim upon the first leg of the journey which all hoped would enable them to carry the Stars and Stripes around the world.

How Arnold Felt.
"I find it difficult to express my emotions," wrote Les Arnold. "But as I look down on Lake Washington and Seattle and see them gradually growing smaller and smaller behind us, I cannot help but wonder what all those people far below us in the streets are thinking of."

"One of Jack's friends tried to cheer him up last night by telling him that no one in Seattle thinks we have even a fighting chance of getting through, and that we are going to almost certain death. We don't agree. But at that one cannot help but wonder in setting forth on a trip like this just how many of us will get around, and which planes will finally turn up at Boston."

"We have confidence in ourselves, of course, or we wouldn't go; but what is just as important, we have great faith in our Douglas cruisers and implicit faith in the chief of our air service and his staff of assistants, as well as the other branches of the government who have prepared the way for us all along the route."

"Although we know what has happened to the other ill-fated expeditions that have been sent out to fly around the world, the most of us feel that at least one of our planes will get through."

"Until the cold made it impossible for him to write, Lieutenant Arnold kept jotting down notes as they flew along, and then, when the weather would delay them at Prince Rupert or Sitka or Dutch Harbor, he would write them up more carefully in his diary."

Escort Planes Say Goodby.
"A number of other planes have been following us for about 30 miles. But now, after coming up one by one, dipping their wings and giving us the salute of the air, they have all turned back and disappeared into the haze. Visibility is only fair this morning, but above the haze that half veils the earth tower snow-capped Rainier, the peaks of the Olympic peninsula and the Canadian Rockies. The summit of Rainier stands out as clear as crystal. No wonder the people of the northwest almost worship that monarch which the Indians called 'the mountain that was God.'"

"Instead of turning out through the straits of Juan de Fuca, through which the steamers pass on their way from Puget sound to Japan, Hawaii, the south seas and Australia, we are heading north along the coast of Washington. Major Martin is leading. A moment ago he left the formation just long enough to swing over Bellingham and give a farewell salute to the friends in his home town who said they were going to be on the lookout to see him fly by."

"Now we are swinging to the left and flying above the strait of Georgia, which separates Vancouver Island from the mainland of British Columbia. The city of Victoria has just disappeared on our left and out there through the struts of our right wing I can see the skyscrapers of Vancouver."

Goodby to Mount Rainier.
"Our best American friend has just bid us bon voyage. Old Mount Rainier is no longer visible. We are flying through a fog bank now and the mountain that has been watching us for nearly 100 miles, long after we reached Canada, has passed out of view. But there was something almost spiritual about that mountain. I saw Lowell glance back over his shoulder at it several times and I am sure the memory of the grandeur of it will serve to inspire us all the way around the world. Somehow it seemed to symbolize the spirit that men should have when starting on an undertaking that makes you feel the presence of the Ruler of the universe."

"I wonder just how long it will be until we see old Mount Rainier again? Surely no more fitting spot for the start of a flight around the world could be found than at the base of such an awe-inspiring mountain."

Through a Perilous Fog.
"But these are not the things to think about while flying through a fog. Now we are passing through a haze like the smoke from a forest fire."

At this point Arnold found other things to think about than his diary, things that might have made his hair stand on end if he hadn't been wearing a tightly strapped flying helmet. But the next day he wrote up the rest of the day's ventures in his log.

"We soon discovered that this haze was the forerunner of a fog which gradually got thicker and thicker, a fog that forced us lower and lower until we were soon flying only 50 feet off the water. At times it hung over the waters of the strait of Georgia like a blanket and forced us down

to the water's edge so that our pontoons looked as though at any moment they would dip into the white caps.

"Over little inlets and passages, and between islands, we flew. The land on both sides was heavily wooded right down to the shore. Just imagine what a terrific racket the roar of our Liberty engines must create up here in these Canadian forests where ordinarily everything is so still!"

"The region through which we passed looked utterly uninhabited except for wild animals. I wonder what the bears, wolves and other forest dwellers think of our 'thunder birds' once in a great while on one side or the other we passed a cottage in a clearing, probably a trapper's shack. Or sometimes we would shoot by the mouth of a creek where huge fishing nets were going up and down. Twice we saw people, Indians I suppose, paddling canoes. Occasionally the fog would break for a moment

and we would catch a glimpse of the waterfall or rugged forest-covered mountains.

Almost Crash Into Steamer.
"When we passed over what the map calls 'Discovery' and 'Johnstone' straits, part of the time we were nearly skimming the water again because of the thick fog, and several places where we passed between islands the sea below us rushed and boiled like a mill race. Right near the end of Johnstone strait we came diving out of the fog into the clear, and narrowly avoided crashing into an excursion steamer."

"We ourselves were surprised, but just imagine the emotions of people on that steamer and what they must have thought when all of a sudden out of the fog a fleet of giant planes came swooping toward them at terrific speed. As we swerved and went following by, the passengers all waved, and we waved back."

"It certainly does cheer you up to come in such close contact with

people and be able to wave to them, especially when you are flying over a strange region, and more especially still if it happens to be over a sea where you know the nearest land is uninhabited.

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

York Doctor Appointed U. S. Hospital Unit Chief

York, Dec. 2.—Dr. E. G. Zimmerer of York has been appointed major in the medical reserve corps and chief of the medical section of United States hospital No. 123 at St. Elizabeth's hospital reserve, Lincoln.

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Growing girls should realize elimination is necessary; constipation dangerous. Mothers, urge use of Dr. Caldwell's Pepsin Syrup

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